

Use of hormone replacement therapy and risk of breast cancer: two nested case-control studies in primary care

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eTable 1 Characteristics in cases and controls at least 1 years before the index date across the databases by exposure to HRT

| | No exposure | | Oestrogen only | | Combined therapy | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| | Cases; % (N) | Controls; % (N) | Cases; % (N) | Controls; % (N) | Cases; % (N) | Controls; % (N) |
| Total | 64908 | 315107 | 8860 | 42799 | 24843 | 99592 |
| Age in years | | | | | | |
| age (mean, SE) | 63.6 (9.0) | 63.7 (8.9) | 63.9 (7.2) | 63.5 (7.2) | 62.7 (6.8) | 62.6 (6.9) |
| 50 to 59 | 37.3 (24187) | 36.4 (114734) | 29.4 (2609) | 31.3 (13382) | 34.6 (8598) | 35.0 (34808) |
| 60 to 69 | 32.3 (20949) | 33.0 (104036) | 46.8 (4147) | 47.2 (20211) | 48.0 (11919) | 48.0 (47819) |
| 70 to 79 | 30.5 (19772) | 30.6 (96337) | 23.7 (2104) | 21.5 (9206) | 17.4 (4326) | 17.0 (16965) |
| Years of records (mean, SE) | 12.0 (5.6) | 12.4 (5.5) | 12.9 (5.7) | 13.4 (5.5) | 13.3 (5.6) | 13.8 (5.5) |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | |
| Recorded | 69.2 (44902) | 67.2 (211682) | 71.7 (6349) | 70.4 (30137) | 72.0 (17879) | 70.3 (70043) |
| White or not recorded | 96.1 (62360) | 95.5 (301061) | 97.9 (8675) | 97.6 (41763) | 98.2 (24400) | 97.7 (97315) |
| Townsend quintile* | | | | | | |
| Most affluent | 24.6 (13311) | 24.4 (63648) | 26.7 (1997) | 26.5 (9386) | 27.1 (5703) | 27.4 (22700) |
| 2 | 23.6 (12798) | 23.4 (60934) | 24.8 (1854) | 24.4 (8667) | 25.1 (5284) | 24.7 (20504) |
| 3 | 21.2 (11477) | 21.1 (55099) | 20.2 (1511) | 21.0 (7455) | 20.9 (4389) | 20.6 (17107) |
| 4 | 17.8 (9645) | 18.2 (47475) | 17.0 (1268) | 17.3 (6138) | 16.3 (3426) | 16.5 (13731) |
| Most deprived | 12.7 (6888) | 13.0 (33794) | 11.4 (850) | 10.8 (3822) | 10.6 (2236) | 10.8 (8946) |
| Body mass index | | | | | | |
| recorded | 82.3 (53402) | 79.8 (251518) | 87.7 (7770) | 87.8 (37577) | 88.0 (21852) | 88.1 (87782) |
| mean (SE) | 27.9 (5.7) | 27.5 (5.7) | 27.9 (5.4) | 27.7 (5.4) | 26.9 (5.2) | 26.8 (5.2) |
| 15 to 24 kg/m ² | 29.0 (18807) | 30.6 (96492) | 29.3 (2599) | 31.0 (13280) | 36.2 (8998) | 37.0 (36816) |
| 25 to 29 kg/m ² | 28.3 (18375) | 27.0 (85234) | 31.6 (2803) | 31.6 (13529) | 30.6 (7600) | 30.7 (30615) |
| 30 kg/m ² and over | 25.0 (16220) | 22.1 (69792) | 26.7 (2368) | 25.2 (10768) | 21.1 (5254) | 20.4 (20351) |
| Smoking | | | | | | |
| recorded | 89.4 (58054) | 86.9 (273892) | 92.4 (8189) | 92.4 (39561) | 92.8 (23058) | 93.0 (92625) |

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|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| none | 49.2 (31962) | 48.9 (154121) | 45.6 (4038) | 47.1 (20147) | 43.6 (10826) | 44.8 (44631) |
| ex | 26.8 (17399) | 24.8 (78050) | 31.3 (2772) | 29.7 (12708) | 32.3 (8029) | 31.3 (31220) |
| light (1-9 cigarettes/day) | 6.4 (4186) | 6.5 (20567) | 7.4 (659) | 7.3 (3129) | 8.0 (1988) | 8.0 (7942) |
| moderate (10-19) | 4.3 (2801) | 4.2 (13266) | 4.9 (435) | 5.1 (2164) | 5.3 (1324) | 5.3 (5274) |
| heavy (≥ 20) | 2.6 (1706) | 2.5 (7888) | 3.2 (285) | 3.3 (1413) | 3.6 (891) | 3.6 (3558) |
| Alcohol | | | | | | |
| recorded | 80.6 (52328) | 78.1 (246231) | 85.0 (7534) | 85.1 (36425) | 86.3 (21439) | 86.3 (85993) |
| none | 24.0 (15585) | 24.6 (77646) | 23.2 (2052) | 24.5 (10471) | 18.9 (4688) | 20.4 (20298) |
| ex-use | 5.6 (3624) | 5.4 (17134) | 7.3 (648) | 6.9 (2952) | 6.6 (1638) | 6.5 (6487) |
| trivial (<1units/day) | 30.2 (19604) | 29.5 (92911) | 32.9 (2914) | 33.5 (14317) | 33.5 (8333) | 34.3 (34198) |
| light (1-2) | 12.6 (8193) | 11.6 (36502) | 13.7 (1212) | 12.9 (5509) | 16.0 (3978) | 15.3 (15287) |
| moderate (3-6) | 7.3 (4723) | 6.3 (19816) | 7.2 (636) | 6.6 (2841) | 10.2 (2530) | 8.7 (8692) |
| heavy (7-9) | 0.6 (384) | 0.5 (1495) | 0.6 (51) | 0.5 (224) | 0.8 (187) | 0.7 (713) |
| very heavy (≥ 10) | 0.3 (215) | 0.2 (727) | 0.2 (21) | 0.3 (111) | 0.3 (85) | 0.3 (318) |
| History of other cancers | | | | | | |
| any cancer | 3.0 (1919) | 2.6 (8053) | 4.5 (400) | 3.7 (1574) | 2.9 (726) | 2.5 (2483) |
| blood cancer | 0.4 (249) | 0.4 (1118) | 0.5 (41) | 0.4 (176) | 0.6 (142) | 0.4 (397) |
| cervical cancer | 0.1 (93) | 0.2 (558) | 0.7 (64) | 0.8 (326) | 0.1 (30) | 0.2 (168) |
| colorectal | 0.6 (358) | 0.5 (1550) | 0.6 (54) | 0.5 (197) | 0.4 (109) | 0.4 (431) |
| lung cancer | 0.1 (60) | 0.1 (337) | 0.2 (18) | 0.2 (69) | 0.1 (34) | 0.1 (108) |
| melanoma | 0.5 (305) | 0.4 (1196) | 0.8 (69) | 0.5 (217) | 0.5 (134) | 0.5 (477) |
| ovarian cancer | 0.2 (126) | 0.2 (479) | 0.5 (43) | 0.5 (195) | 0.2 (44) | 0.1 (137) |
| uterine cancer | 0.3 (168) | 0.2 (698) | 0.2 (17) | 0.2 (75) | 0.2 (46) | 0.1 (142) |
| Chronic conditions | | | | | | |
| benign breast disease | 8.0 (5225) | 5.0 (15776) | 10.9 (965) | 7.7 (3281) | 10.4 (2575) | 6.9 (6916) |
| diabetes | 7.6 (4962) | 7.1 (22309) | 7.2 (639) | 6.9 (2971) | 5.1 (1268) | 5.1 (5087) |
| mental health disorder | 0.9 (578) | 0.8 (2373) | 0.8 (73) | 0.7 (316) | 0.9 (236) | 0.9 (878) |
| osteoporosis | 3.2 (2065) | 3.6 (11373) | 4.4 (389) | 4.9 (2113) | 4.4 (1089) | 5.2 (5154) |

| Other characteristics | | | | | | |
|--|--------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Age at HRT start (mean, SD) | n/a | n/a | 52.4 (6.4) | 51.7 (6.5) | 51.6 (5.4) | 51.2 (5.4) |
| younger than 44 | n/a | n/a | 8.7 (773) | 11.2 (4801) | 6.9 (1709) | 8.1 (8033) |
| 45 to 49 | n/a | n/a | 25.5 (2255) | 27.4 (11707) | 28.8 (7151) | 30.5 (30384) |
| 50 to 54 | n/a | n/a | 33.4 (2960) | 32.1 (13724) | 38.9 (9670) | 38.4 (38249) |
| 55 to 59 | n/a | n/a | 18.1 (1607) | 17.4 (7459) | 17.3 (4291) | 15.9 (15839) |
| 60 and older | n/a | n/a | 14.3 (1265) | 11.9 (5108) | 8.1 (2022) | 7.1 (7087) |
| early menopause | 3.0 (1919) | 3.2 (10194) | 22.0 (1947) | 23.6 (10103) | 2.4 (596) | 3.1 (3098) |
| late menopause | 2.6 (1667) | 2.3 (7154) | 4.3 (381) | 4.2 (1797) | 4.7 (1179) | 4.7 (4642) |
| menopausal symptoms | 10.4 (6735) | 10.3 (32310) | 25.8 (2283) | 26.0 (11121) | 32.7 (8126) | 34.1 (33951) |
| mammography scans [#] | 33.8 (21971) | 33.4 (105191) | 47.9 (4247) | 46.6 (19948) | 49.1 (12194) | 47.5 (47307) |
| MRI/CT scans [#] | 4.5 (2899) | 4.3 (13452) | 7.6 (674) | 7.6 (3262) | 5.8 (1435) | 6.1 (6055) |
| oophorectomy/hysterectomy | 15.2 (9865) | 14.9 (47049) | 88.6 (7854) | 89.8 (38425) | 12.0 (2982) | 12.6 (12521) |
| Family history | | | | | | |
| any cancer | 7.6 (4956) | 5.9 (18641) | 8.1 (714) | 6.8 (2928) | 8.3 (2053) | 6.8 (6818) |
| breast cancer | 3.8 (2457) | 2.3 (7349) | 4.5 (400) | 3.0 (1275) | 4.3 (1070) | 2.9 (2933) |
| cervical cancer | 0.0 (30) | 0.0 (106) | 0.0 (2) | 0.0 (16) | 0.0 (9) | 0.0 (41) |
| osteoporosis | 0.6 (396) | 0.5 (1730) | 1.0 (91) | 1.2 (502) | 1.5 (381) | 1.5 (1525) |
| ovarian cancer | 0.2 (101) | 0.1 (420) | 0.2 (16) | 0.2 (76) | 0.2 (49) | 0.2 (154) |
| uterine cancer | 0.0 (32) | 0.0 (148) | 0.1 (6) | 0.0 (20) | 0.1 (14) | 0.0 (33) |
| Other medications before the index date | | | | | | |
| aspirin | 15.9 (10323) | 15.8 (49685) | 20.9 (1850) | 20.4 (8722) | 14.6 (3636) | 15.4 (15342) |
| non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs | 58.2 (37795) | 57.1 (179988) | 76.3 (6761) | 77.3 (33064) | 72.8 (18078) | 74.2 (73892) |
| contraceptive drugs | 14.2 (9191) | 13.1 (41149) | 6.5 (574) | 6.9 (2949) | 12.5 (3110) | 13.2 (13126) |
| tamoxifen | 1.1 (684) | 0.1 (451) | 0.5 (43) | 0.2 (92) | 0.4 (98) | 0.1 (128) |
| raloxifene | 0.2 (138) | 0.2 (779) | 0.6 (54) | 0.8 (361) | 0.8 (200) | 1.0 (996) |

*based on cases and controls with available Townsend data; n/a – not applicable

[#] based on HES and GP data for QResearch and on GP data for CPRD

eTable 2 All cases and controls: Duration of use for different hormones of HRT: number of cases and controls, unadjusted and adjusted odds ratios by database and combined results.

| | QResearch | | | CPRD | | | Combined | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|---|--|----------------------|---|--|--|----------|
| | N of cases; controls | Unadjusted odds ratio (95% confidence interval) | Adjusted odds ratio [#] (95% confidence interval) | N of cases; controls | Unadjusted odds ratio (95% confidence interval) | Adjusted odds ratio [#] (95% confidence interval) | Adjusted odds ratio [#] (95% confidence interval) | P-value* |
| Overall use | | | | | | | | |
| HRT | 20494; 83576 | 1.19 (1.17 to 1.22) ^b | 1.21 (1.19 to 1.24) ^b | 13209; 58815 | 1.17 (1.14 to 1.20) ^b | 1.21 (1.18 to 1.25) ^b | 1.21 (1.19 to 1.23) | <0.001 |
| Oestrogen only | 5126; 24302 | 1.03 (1.00 to 1.06) | 1.06 (1.02 to 1.10) ^a | 3734; 18497 | 1.05 (1.01 to 1.09) | 1.07 (1.02 to 1.12) ^a | 1.06 (1.03 to 1.10) | <0.001 |
| Combined therapy | 15368; 59274 | 1.27 (1.24 to 1.29) ^b | 1.26 (1.23 to 1.29) ^b | 9475; 40318 | 1.23 (1.19 to 1.26) ^b | 1.26 (1.23 to 1.30) ^b | 1.26 (1.24 to 1.29) | <0.001 |
| Duration of Exposure | | | | | | | | |
| HRT | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 4002; 19353 | 0.99 (0.96 to 1.03) | 1.01 (0.98 to 1.05) | 3276; 16114 | 1.05 (1.01 to 1.10) | 1.08 (1.04 to 1.13) ^b | 1.04 (1.01 to 1.07) | 0.004 |
| 1-2 years | 4367; 19337 | 1.09 (1.06 to 1.13) ^b | 1.11 (1.07 to 1.16) ^b | 3258; 14625 | 1.16 (1.11 to 1.21) ^b | 1.19 (1.14 to 1.25) ^b | 1.15 (1.12 to 1.18) | <0.001 |
| 3-4 years | 3734; 14793 | 1.23 (1.19 to 1.28) ^b | 1.26 (1.21 to 1.31) ^b | 2243; 9852 | 1.19 (1.13 to 1.25) ^b | 1.23 (1.17 to 1.29) ^b | 1.25 (1.21 to 1.29) | <0.001 |
| 5-9 years | 6188; 23180 | 1.32 (1.28 to 1.37) ^b | 1.37 (1.32 to 1.41) ^b | 3315; 13909 | 1.25 (1.20 to 1.31) ^b | 1.34 (1.28 to 1.40) ^b | 1.36 (1.32 to 1.39) | <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 2203; 6913 | 1.59 (1.51 to 1.67) ^b | 1.67 (1.58 to 1.76) ^b | 1117; 4315 | 1.37 (1.28 to 1.47) ^b | 1.52 (1.42 to 1.64) ^b | 1.62 (1.55 to 1.69) | <0.001 |
| OESTROGEN ONLY | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 956; 4475 | 1.04 (0.96 to 1.11) | 1.07 (0.99 to 1.15) | 914; 4370 | 1.08 (1.00 to 1.16) | 1.09 (1.01 to 1.18) | 1.08 (1.02 to 1.14) | 0.005 |
| 1-2 years | 987; 4981 | 0.97 (0.90 to 1.04) | 1.00 (0.93 to 1.08) | 859; 4282 | 1.04 (0.97 to 1.12) | 1.05 (0.97 to 1.14) | 1.02 (0.97 to 1.08) | 0.4 |
| 3-4 years | 924; 4236 | 1.07 (0.99 to 1.15) | 1.11 (1.03 to 1.20) ^a | 617; 3062 | 1.05 (0.96 to 1.15) | 1.07 (0.97 to 1.17) | 1.09 (1.03 to 1.16) | 0.003 |
| 5-9 years | 1606; 7706 | 1.03 (0.98 to 1.09) | 1.08 (1.02 to 1.15) | 988; 4936 | 1.05 (0.98 to 1.13) | 1.11 (1.03 to 1.20) ^a | 1.09 (1.04 to 1.15) | <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 653; 2904 | 1.12 (1.03 to 1.22) | 1.19 (1.09 to 1.31) ^b | 356; 1847 | 1.02 (0.91 to 1.14) | 1.12 (0.99 to 1.26) | 1.17 (1.08 to 1.25) | <0.001 |
| Conjugated equine oestrogen | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 710; 3631 | 0.94 (0.86 to 1.02) | 0.96 (0.88 to 1.04) | 592; 3094 | 0.98 (0.89 to 1.07) | 0.99 (0.90 to 1.09) | 0.97 (0.91 to 1.03) | 0.4 |
| 1-2 years | 531; 2808 | 0.91 (0.82 to 1.00) | 0.94 (0.85 to 1.03) | 435; 2049 | 1.08 (0.98 to 1.21) | 1.08 (0.97 to 1.20) | 1.00 (0.93 to 1.07) | 0.9 |
| 3-4 years | 467; 2077 | 1.09 (0.98 to 1.21) | 1.12 (1.01 to 1.24) | 283; 1385 | 1.05 (0.92 to 1.19) | 1.06 (0.92 to 1.21) | 1.09 (1.01 to 1.19) | 0.03 |
| 5-9 years | 730; 3561 | 1.01 (0.93 to 1.10) | 1.05 (0.96 to 1.14) | 462; 2234 | 1.07 (0.97 to 1.19) | 1.12 (1.01 to 1.25) | 1.07 (1.01 to 1.15) | 0.03 |

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|--------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|--------|
| 10+ years | 242; 1174 | 1.02 (0.89 to 1.18) | 1.07 (0.93 to 1.23) | 156; 860 | 0.94 (0.79 to 1.12) | 1.02 (0.85 to 1.21) | 1.05 (0.94 to 1.17) | 0.4 |
| Estradiol | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 835; 4144 | 0.98 (0.91 to 1.06) | 0.99 (0.91 to 1.07) | 849; 4268 | 1.02 (0.94 to 1.10) | 1.01 (0.93 to 1.10) | 1.00 (0.95 to 1.06) | 1 |
| 1-2 years | 762; 3685 | 1.02 (0.94 to 1.10) | 1.02 (0.94 to 1.11) | 670; 3328 | 1.03 (0.95 to 1.13) | 1.03 (0.94 to 1.13) | 1.03 (0.97 to 1.09) | 0.4 |
| 3-4 years | 564; 2675 | 1.04 (0.94 to 1.14) | 1.05 (0.96 to 1.16) | 388; 2033 | 0.98 (0.88 to 1.10) | 0.98 (0.88 to 1.10) | 1.02 (0.95 to 1.10) | 0.5 |
| 5-9 years | 869; 4089 | 1.06 (0.98 to 1.14) | 1.08 (1.00 to 1.16) | 523; 2567 | 1.05 (0.96 to 1.16) | 1.09 (0.99 to 1.21) | 1.08 (1.02 to 1.15) | 0.01 |
| 10+ years | 343; 1383 | 1.24 (1.10 to 1.40) ^b | 1.29 (1.14 to 1.46) ^b | 146; 755 | 1.01 (0.84 to 1.21) | 1.08 (0.90 to 1.30) | 1.22 (1.10 to 1.35) | <0.001 |
| OESTROGEN COMBINED with | | | | | | | | |
| any progestogen | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 3050; 14908 | 0.99 (0.95 to 1.03) | 0.99 (0.95 to 1.03) | 2362; 11744 | 1.05 (1.00 to 1.10) | 1.07 (1.02 to 1.12) ^a | 1.02 (0.99 to 1.06) | 0.1 |
| 1-2 years | 3380; 14362 | 1.14 (1.10 to 1.19) ^b | 1.14 (1.10 to 1.19) ^b | 2399; 10343 | 1.21 (1.15 to 1.27) ^b | 1.24 (1.18 to 1.30) ^b | 1.18 (1.15 to 1.22) | <0.001 |
| 3-4 years | 2811; 10559 | 1.31 (1.25 to 1.36) ^b | 1.31 (1.25 to 1.37) ^b | 1626; 6790 | 1.26 (1.19 to 1.33) ^b | 1.29 (1.21 to 1.36) ^b | 1.30 (1.25 to 1.35) | <0.001 |
| 5-9 years | 4583; 15475 | 1.48 (1.42 to 1.53) ^b | 1.49 (1.43 to 1.54) ^b | 2327; 8973 | 1.37 (1.31 to 1.44) ^b | 1.44 (1.36 to 1.51) ^b | 1.47 (1.42 to 1.51) | <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 1550; 4010 | 1.94 (1.82 to 2.06) ^b | 1.96 (1.84 to 2.09) ^b | 761; 2468 | 1.65 (1.51 to 1.79) ^b | 1.77 (1.62 to 1.93) ^b | 1.89 (1.80 to 1.99) | <0.001 |
| Medroxyprogesterone | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1907; 7851 | 1.01 (0.96 to 1.06) | 1.01 (0.96 to 1.07) | 1198; 5166 | 1.07 (1.00 to 1.14) | 1.08 (1.00 to 1.15) | 1.04 (0.99 to 1.08) | 0.1 |
| 1-2 years | 1282; 4806 | 1.12 (1.05 to 1.19) ^b | 1.11 (1.04 to 1.19) ^a | 766; 2893 | 1.23 (1.13 to 1.33) ^b | 1.24 (1.14 to 1.34) ^b | 1.16 (1.10 to 1.22) | <0.001 |
| 3-4 years | 784; 2504 | 1.35 (1.24 to 1.47) ^b | 1.36 (1.25 to 1.48) ^b | 385; 1379 | 1.31 (1.17 to 1.47) ^b | 1.32 (1.17 to 1.48) ^b | 1.35 (1.26 to 1.44) | <0.001 |
| 5-9 years | 617; 1836 | 1.50 (1.36 to 1.65) ^b | 1.49 (1.35 to 1.64) ^b | 268; 1009 | 1.27 (1.11 to 1.46) ^b | 1.31 (1.14 to 1.51) ^b | 1.43 (1.32 to 1.55) | <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 100; 156 | 2.90 (2.24 to 3.74) ^b | 2.90 (2.24 to 3.76) ^b | 29; 83 | 1.71 (1.12 to 2.62) | 1.78 (1.16 to 2.74) ^a | 2.55 (2.04 to 3.18) | <0.001 |
| Levonorgestrel | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 2911; 12407 | 1.02 (0.97 to 1.07) | 1.02 (0.97 to 1.07) | 1863; 8809 | 1.00 (0.95 to 1.06) | 1.02 (0.96 to 1.08) | 1.02 (0.98 to 1.06) | 0.3 |
| 1-2 years | 2321; 8629 | 1.17 (1.11 to 1.23) ^b | 1.16 (1.11 to 1.22) ^b | 1267; 5513 | 1.07 (1.01 to 1.15) | 1.09 (1.02 to 1.16) | 1.13 (1.09 to 1.18) | <0.001 |
| 3-4 years | 1386; 4924 | 1.24 (1.17 to 1.32) ^b | 1.23 (1.16 to 1.31) ^b | 767; 2952 | 1.22 (1.12 to 1.32) ^b | 1.26 (1.15 to 1.37) ^b | 1.24 (1.18 to 1.30) | <0.001 |
| 5-9 years | 1595; 4778 | 1.53 (1.44 to 1.62) ^b | 1.52 (1.44 to 1.62) ^b | 907; 3256 | 1.32 (1.22 to 1.42) ^b | 1.38 (1.27 to 1.49) ^b | 1.47 (1.40 to 1.54) | <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 261; 666 | 1.86 (1.61 to 2.16) ^b | 1.89 (1.63 to 2.19) ^b | 162; 519 | 1.54 (1.29 to 1.85) ^b | 1.68 (1.40 to 2.01) ^b | 1.80 (1.61 to 2.02) | <0.001 |
| Norethisterone | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 3220; 13971 | 1.00 (0.96 to 1.04) | 1.00 (0.96 to 1.05) | 2475; 11566 | 1.03 (0.98 to 1.08) | 1.04 (0.99 to 1.09) | 1.02 (0.99 to 1.05) | 0.3 |
| 1-2 years | 2398; 9538 | 1.11 (1.06 to 1.16) ^b | 1.11 (1.06 to 1.17) ^b | 1544; 6281 | 1.20 (1.13 to 1.27) ^b | 1.22 (1.15 to 1.29) ^b | 1.15 (1.11 to 1.20) | <0.001 |

| | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|--------|
| 3-4 years | 1494; 5258 | 1.29 (1.21 to 1.37) ^b | 1.29 (1.21 to 1.37) ^b | 781; 3153 | 1.22 (1.13 to 1.33) ^b | 1.25 (1.15 to 1.36) ^b | 1.27 (1.21 to 1.34) | <0.001 |
| 5-9 years | 1686; 5346 | 1.47 (1.38 to 1.55) ^b | 1.48 (1.40 to 1.57) ^b | 761; 2561 | 1.49 (1.37 to 1.62) ^b | 1.56 (1.43 to 1.70) ^b | 1.51 (1.43 to 1.58) | <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 353; 778 | 2.16 (1.90 to 2.45) ^b | 2.21 (1.94 to 2.51) ^b | 122; 370 | 1.67 (1.36 to 2.06) ^b | 1.77 (1.44 to 2.18) ^b | 2.08 (1.86 to 2.32) | <0.001 |
| Dydrogesterone | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 932; 3745 | 0.99 (0.92 to 1.07) | 0.99 (0.92 to 1.07) | 524; 2406 | 0.96 (0.87 to 1.06) | 0.97 (0.88 to 1.07) | 0.98 (0.92 to 1.04) | 0.6 |
| 1-2 years | 469; 1913 | 1.00 (0.90 to 1.11) | 1.00 (0.90 to 1.11) | 228; 1141 | 0.90 (0.78 to 1.04) | 0.91 (0.78 to 1.05) | 0.96 (0.89 to 1.05) | 0.4 |
| 3-4 years | 165; 788 | 0.87 (0.74 to 1.04) | 0.85 (0.72 to 1.01) | 74; 381 | 0.89 (0.70 to 1.15) | 0.93 (0.72 to 1.19) | 0.88 (0.76 to 1.01) | 0.07 |
| 5-9 years | 140; 490 | 1.22 (1.01 to 1.48) | 1.23 (1.02 to 1.49) | 49; 289 | 0.80 (0.59 to 1.08) | 0.85 (0.62 to 1.15) | 1.11 (0.94 to 1.31) | 0.2 |
| 10+ years | 23; 66 | 1.51 (0.93 to 2.45) | 1.51 (0.93 to 2.45) | 10; 27 | 1.81 (0.87 to 3.73) | 2.07 (1.00 to 4.29) | 1.66 (1.11 to 2.49) | 0.01 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| TIBOLONE | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1260; 5373 | 0.97 (0.91 to 1.04) | 0.98 (0.92 to 1.04) | 923; 4512 | 0.93 (0.86 to 1.00) | 0.93 (0.87 to 1.01) | 0.96 (0.91 to 1.01) | 0.1 |
| 1-2 years | 591; 2494 | 1.01 (0.92 to 1.10) | 1.00 (0.91 to 1.10) | 422; 1763 | 1.10 (0.99 to 1.22) | 1.08 (0.97 to 1.20) | 1.03 (0.96 to 1.11) | 0.4 |
| 3-4 years | 272; 1233 | 0.98 (0.86 to 1.12) | 0.96 (0.84 to 1.10) | 207; 852 | 1.14 (0.98 to 1.33) | 1.15 (0.98 to 1.34) | 1.04 (0.94 to 1.15) | 0.5 |
| 5-9 years | 326; 1242 | 1.19 (1.06 to 1.35) ^a | 1.18 (1.05 to 1.34) ^a | 205; 871 | 1.14 (0.98 to 1.33) | 1.15 (0.99 to 1.35) | 1.17 (1.06 to 1.29) | 0.001 |
| 10+ years | 66; 220 | 1.40 (1.06 to 1.85) | 1.42 (1.08 to 1.88) | 36; 167 | 1.08 (0.75 to 1.55) | 1.13 (0.78 to 1.63) | 1.31 (1.05 to 1.63) | 0.02 |

^aOdds ratios are with reference to never-users and based on cases and controls matched by age and practice and adjusted for smoking status, body mass index, family history of cancer, medical conditions and events, other medications and contraceptive drugs.

^a P-value<0.01, ^b P-value<0.001

eTable 3 Other medications prescribed for menopausal women by database and combined analysis

| | QResearch | | | CPRD | | | Combined | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|--|---|----------------------|--|---|---|-------|
| | N of cases; controls | Unadjusted odds ratio (95% confidence interval) | Adjusted odds ratio [#] (95% confidence interval) | N of cases; controls | Unadjusted odds ratio (95% confidence interval) | Adjusted odds ratio [#] (95% confidence interval) | adjusted odds ratio [#] (95% confidence interval) | |
| Oestrogen cream | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 4381; 20620 | 0.96 (0.92 to 0.99) | 0.96 (0.93 to 0.99) | 1802; 9163 | 0.95 (0.90 to 1.00) | 0.94 (0.89 to 1.00) | 0.95 (0.93 to 0.98) | 0.003 |
| 1-2 years | 595; 2934 | 0.92 (0.84 to 1.01) | 0.93 (0.85 to 1.02) | 189; 951 | 0.95 (0.81 to 1.12) | 0.92 (0.79 to 1.09) | 0.93 (0.86 to 1.00) | 0.06 |
| 3+ years | 233; 1045 | 1.03 (0.89 to 1.18) | 1.03 (0.89 to 1.19) | 51; 269 | 0.91 (0.68 to 1.23) | 0.93 (0.69 to 1.26) | 1.01 (0.89 to 1.15) | 0.9 |
| Vaginal preparations | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 2485; 11591 | 0.96 (0.91 to 1.00) | 0.96 (0.92 to 1.01) | 1605; 8366 | 0.93 (0.88 to 0.98) ^a | 0.92 (0.87 to 0.97) ^a | 0.94 (0.91 to 0.98) | 0.002 |
| 1-2 years | 416; 1926 | 0.97 (0.87 to 1.08) | 0.96 (0.86 to 1.07) | 247; 1240 | 0.95 (0.83 to 1.09) | 0.93 (0.81 to 1.07) | 0.95 (0.87 to 1.04) | 0.2 |
| 3+ years | 141; 720 | 0.87 (0.73 to 1.05) | 0.89 (0.74 to 1.07) | 113; 445 | 1.21 (0.98 to 1.49) | 1.15 (0.93 to 1.43) | 0.99 (0.87 to 1.14) | 0.9 |

[#]Odds ratios are with reference to never-users and based on cases and controls matched by age and practice and adjusted for smoking status, body mass index, family history of cancer, medical conditions and events, other medications and contraceptive drugs.

^a P-value<0.01; ^b P-value<0.001

eTable 4 All cases and controls: Duration of use for different doses of hormones and types of application by database

| | QResearch | | CPRD | | Combined analysis | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|-------------------------|--|---|---------|
| | N of cases; controls | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | N of cases; controls | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | Combined odds ratio (95% confidence interval) | P-value |
| OESTROGEN ONLY | | | | | | |
| Conjugated equine oestrogen | | | | | | |
| ≤0.625mg | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 580; 2841 | 1.01 (0.92 to 1.11) | 411; 2282 | 0.94 (0.84 to 1.05) | 0.98 (0.91 to 1.05) | 0.5 |
| 1-2 years | 394; 2054 | 0.97 (0.87 to 1.08) | 301; 1390 | 1.12 (0.98 to 1.28) | 1.03 (0.95 to 1.12) | 0.5 |
| 3-4 years | 331; 1468 | 1.14 (1.01 to 1.28) | 198; 892 | 1.16 (0.99 to 1.36) | 1.15 (1.04 to 1.26) | 0.006 |
| 5-9 years | 493; 2446 | 1.04 (0.94 to 1.15) | 307; 1431 | 1.17 (1.03 to 1.33) | 1.09 (1.01 to 1.18) | 0.03 |
| 10+ years | 125; 718 | 0.90 (0.74 to 1.09) | 100; 510 | 1.10 (0.88 to 1.37) | 0.98 (0.85 to 1.14) | 0.8 |
| >0.625mg | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 130; 790 | 0.80 (0.66 to 0.96) | 181; 812 | 1.17 (0.99 to 1.38) | 0.99 (0.87 to 1.12) | 0.9 |
| 1-2 years | 137; 754 | 0.90 (0.75 to 1.08) | 134; 659 | 1.03 (0.85 to 1.25) | 0.96 (0.84 to 1.10) | 0.6 |
| 3-4 years | 136; 609 | 1.11 (0.92 to 1.34) | 85; 493 | 0.92 (0.73 to 1.17) | 1.03 (0.89 to 1.20) | 0.7 |
| 5-9 years | 237; 1115 | 1.09 (0.95 to 1.26) | 155; 803 | 1.08 (0.91 to 1.29) | 1.09 (0.97 to 1.22) | 0.1 |
| 10+ years | 117; 456 | 1.37 (1.11 to 1.69) ^a | 56; 350 | 0.93 (0.70 to 1.24) | 1.20 (1.01 to 1.42) | 0.03 |
| Estradiol | | | | | | |
| ≤1mg | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 725; 3552 | 1.01 (0.93 to 1.10) | 727; 3558 | 1.06 (0.97 to 1.15) | 1.04 (0.98 to 1.10) | 0.3 |
| 1-2 years | 611; 2915 | 1.06 (0.96 to 1.16) | 511; 2584 | 1.04 (0.94 to 1.15) | 1.05 (0.98 to 1.12) | 0.2 |
| 3-4 years | 422; 2012 | 1.06 (0.95 to 1.18) | 295; 1477 | 1.05 (0.93 to 1.20) | 1.06 (0.97 to 1.15) | 0.2 |
| 5-9 years | 648; 3041 | 1.10 (1.00 to 1.20) | 377; 1800 | 1.14 (1.01 to 1.28) | 1.11 (1.03 to 1.19) | 0.004 |
| 10+ years | 250; 957 | 1.39 (1.20 to 1.60) ^b | 86; 540 | 0.90 (0.72 to 1.14) | 1.23 (1.09 to 1.39) | <0.001 |

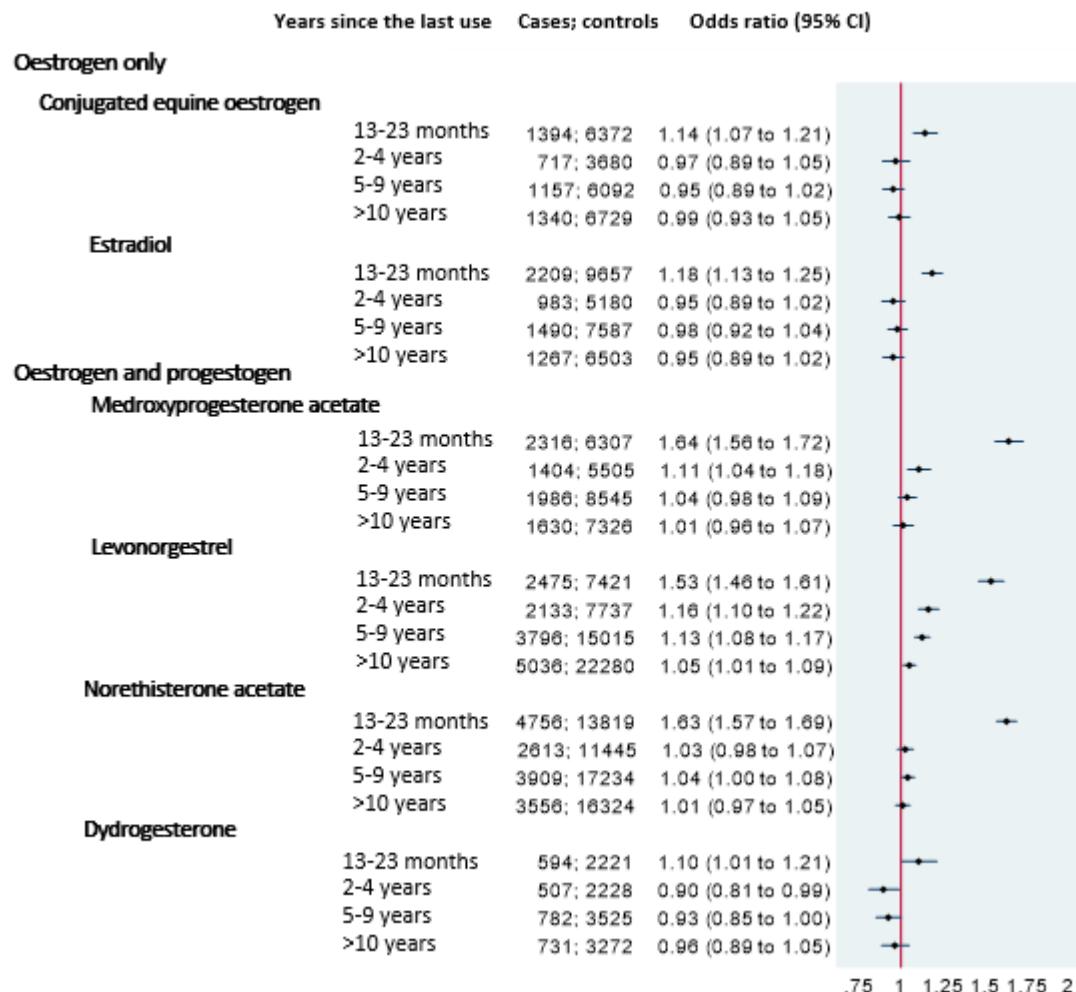
| >1mg | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|--------|
| <1 year | 110; 592 | 0.89 (0.72 to 1.09) | 122; 710 | 0.89 (0.73 to 1.08) | 0.89 (0.77 to 1.02) | 0.1 |
| 1-2 years | 151; 768 | 0.96 (0.80 to 1.15) | 159; 744 | 1.07 (0.90 to 1.28) | 1.01 (0.89 to 1.15) | 0.8 |
| 3-4 years | 142; 663 | 1.09 (0.91 to 1.31) | 93; 556 | 0.87 (0.70 to 1.09) | 1.00 (0.86 to 1.15) | 1 |
| 5-9 years | 221; 1048 | 1.09 (0.94 to 1.26) | 146; 767 | 1.06 (0.88 to 1.27) | 1.08 (0.96 to 1.21) | 0.2 |
| 10+ years | 93; 426 | 1.16 (0.93 to 1.46) | 60; 215 | 1.58 (1.18 to 2.12) ^a | 1.31 (1.09 to 1.56) | 0.004 |
| oral | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 556; 2699 | 1.00 (0.91 to 1.11) | 484; 2353 | 1.07 (0.97 to 1.19) | 1.03 (0.96 to 1.11) | 0.3 |
| 1-2 years | 365; 1730 | 1.02 (0.91 to 1.15) | 292; 1374 | 1.08 (0.94 to 1.23) | 1.05 (0.96 to 1.14) | 0.3 |
| 3-4 years | 220; 1115 | 0.99 (0.85 to 1.15) | 158; 835 | 0.97 (0.82 to 1.16) | 0.98 (0.88 to 1.10) | 0.8 |
| 5-9 years | 293; 1451 | 1.01 (0.89 to 1.15) | 171; 976 | 0.94 (0.79 to 1.11) | 0.98 (0.89 to 1.09) | 0.7 |
| 10+ years | 80; 371 | 1.13 (0.88 to 1.44) | 60; 243 | 1.35 (1.01 to 1.81) | 1.22 (1.01 to 1.47) | 0.04 |
| transdermal | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 634; 3246 | 0.96 (0.88 to 1.05) | 719; 3710 | 0.97 (0.89 to 1.06) | 0.97 (0.91 to 1.03) | 0.3 |
| 1-2 years | 546; 2627 | 1.03 (0.94 to 1.14) | 450; 2379 | 0.97 (0.87 to 1.08) | 1.00 (0.93 to 1.08) | 0.9 |
| 3-4 years | 361; 1679 | 1.08 (0.96 to 1.21) | 242; 1234 | 1.01 (0.87 to 1.16) | 1.05 (0.96 to 1.15) | 0.3 |
| 5-9 years | 571; 2540 | 1.14 (1.04 to 1.25) ^a | 338; 1508 | 1.20 (1.06 to 1.35) ^a | 1.16 (1.08 to 1.25) | <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 238; 919 | 1.35 (1.16 to 1.56) ^b | 73; 460 | 0.88 (0.69 to 1.14) | 1.21 (1.07 to 1.38) | 0.003 |
| OESTROGEN COMBINED with | | | | | | |
| Levonorgestrel | | | | | | |
| oral | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 2796; 12008 | 1.01 (0.97 to 1.06) | 1796; 8612 | 1.01 (0.95 to 1.07) | 1.01 (0.98 to 1.05) | 0.6 |
| 1-2 years | 2170; 8158 | 1.15 (1.10 to 1.21) ^b | 1225; 5321 | 1.09 (1.02 to 1.17) | 1.13 (1.08 to 1.18) | <0.001 |
| 3-4 years | 1292; 4549 | 1.25 (1.17 to 1.34) ^b | 715; 2771 | 1.25 (1.15 to 1.37) ^b | 1.25 (1.19 to 1.32) | <0.001 |
| 5-9 years | 1531; 4590 | 1.53 (1.43 to 1.62) ^b | 878; 3128 | 1.39 (1.28 to 1.50) ^b | 1.47 (1.40 to 1.55) | <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 252; 647 | 1.88 (1.62 to 2.18) ^b | 159; 504 | 1.70 (1.41 to 2.04) ^b | 1.80 (1.61 to 2.02) | <0.001 |
| transdermal | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 212; 835 | 1.03 (0.88 to 1.21) | 94; 341 | 1.26 (1.00 to 1.59) | 1.10 (0.96 to 1.25) | 0.2 |
| 1-2 years | 98; 273 | 1.47 (1.16 to 1.86) ^a | 13; 66 | 0.93 (0.51 to 1.69) | 1.38 (1.11 to 1.72) | 0.004 |

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|-----------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|--------|
| 3 years or more | 42; 124 | 1.45 (1.01 to 2.07) | 6; 17 | 1.75 (0.68 to 4.47) | 1.48 (1.06 to 2.07) | 0.02 |
| <i>intra-uterine device</i> | 231; 726 | 1.21 (1.04 to 1.41) | 141; 559 | 1.11 (0.91 to 1.34) | 1.17 (1.04 to 1.32) | 0.01 |
| Norethisterone | | | | | | |
| <i>oral</i> | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 3019; 13097 | 0.99 (0.95 to 1.03) | 2231; 10436 | 1.03 (0.97 to 1.08) | 1.00 (0.97 to 1.04) | 0.8 |
| 1-2 years | 2000; 7626 | 1.15 (1.09 to 1.21) ^β | 1268; 5158 | 1.20 (1.12 to 1.28) ^β | 1.17 (1.12 to 1.22) | <0.001 |
| 3-4 years | 1221; 4248 | 1.29 (1.21 to 1.38) ^β | 675; 2684 | 1.27 (1.16 to 1.38) ^β | 1.28 (1.21 to 1.35) | <0.001 |
| 5-9 years | 1324; 3975 | 1.56 (1.46 to 1.67) ^β | 672; 2184 | 1.60 (1.46 to 1.76) ^β | 1.58 (1.49 to 1.66) | <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 240; 514 | 2.23 (1.91 to 2.61) ^β | 101; 306 | 1.77 (1.40 to 2.23) ^β | 2.07 (1.82 to 2.36) | <0.001 |
| <i>transdermal</i> | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1160; 4686 | 1.01 (0.94 to 1.08) | 821; 3944 | 0.95 (0.88 to 1.03) | 0.99 (0.94 to 1.04) | 0.6 |
| 1-2 years | 689; 2860 | 1.01 (0.93 to 1.11) | 333; 1330 | 1.19 (1.05 to 1.35) ^α | 1.07 (1.00 to 1.15) | 0.07 |
| 3-4 years | 283; 1085 | 1.14 (0.99 to 1.30) | 107; 436 | 1.17 (0.94 to 1.45) | 1.15 (1.02 to 1.28) | 0.02 |
| 5-9 years | 309; 1107 | 1.28 (1.12 to 1.45) ^β | 77; 286 | 1.39 (1.07 to 1.80) | 1.30 (1.16 to 1.46) | <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 83; 181 | 2.24 (1.72 to 2.92) ^β | 6; 31 | 0.92 (0.38 to 2.23) | 2.09 (1.62 to 2.69) | <0.001 |

^aOdds ratios are with reference to never-users and based on cases and controls matched by age and practice and adjusted for smoking status, body mass index, family history of cancer, medical conditions and events, other medications and contraceptive drugs.

^α P-value<0.01; ^β P-value<0.001

eFigure 1 Gap since the last use of oestrogen only, oestrogen-progestogen and tibolone therapies



Odds ratios are with reference to never-users and adjusted for smoking, alcohol consumption, Townsend quintile (QResearch only), body mass index, ethnicity, history of other cancers, oophorectomy/hysterectomy, records of menopause, scans, comorbidities, other medications, years of data. Cases are matched to controls by age, general practice and index date.

eTable 5 All cases and controls: Gap since the last use of different hormones of HRT by database.

| | QResearch | | CPRD | | Combined analysis | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|-------------------------|--|---|---------|
| | N of cases; controls | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | N of cases; controls | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | Combined odds ratio (95% confidence interval) | P-value |
| HRT | | | | | | |
| 13-23 months | 8304; 27776 | 1.53 (1.48 to 1.58) ^b | 5159; 17196 | 1.70 (1.63 to 1.76) ^b | 1.59 (1.55 to 1.63) | <0.001 |
| 2-4 years | 3270; 15451 | 1.05 (1.00 to 1.09) | 2146; 10508 | 1.10 (1.05 to 1.16) ^b | 1.07 (1.03 to 1.10) | <0.001 |
| 5-9 years | 4718; 21883 | 1.05 (1.01 to 1.09) | 3210; 16348 | 1.03 (0.98 to 1.07) | 1.04 (1.01 to 1.07) | 0.006 |
| 10+ years | 4202; 18466 | 1.07 (1.03 to 1.12) ^b | 2694; 14763 | 0.93 (0.89 to 0.98) ^a | 1.01 (0.98 to 1.05) | 0.4 |
| OESTROGEN ONLY | | | | | | |
| 13-23 months | 2072; 9332 | 1.16 (1.09 to 1.22) ^b | 1458; 6342 | 1.26 (1.18 to 1.35) ^b | 1.19 (1.15 to 1.25) | <0.001 |
| 2-4 years | 804; 4370 | 0.92 (0.85 to 1.00) | 643; 3185 | 1.07 (0.97 to 1.17) | 0.98 (0.92 to 1.04) | 0.5 |
| 5-9 years | 1235; 5964 | 1.02 (0.96 to 1.09) | 897; 4937 | 0.94 (0.87 to 1.02) | 0.99 (0.94 to 1.04) | 0.6 |
| 10+ years | 1015; 4636 | 1.05 (0.97 to 1.13) | 736; 4033 | 0.93 (0.85 to 1.01) | 1.00 (0.94 to 1.05) | 0.9 |
| Conjugated equine oestrogen | | | | | | |
| 13-23 months | 833; 3910 | 1.09 (1.01 to 1.18) | 561; 2462 | 1.22 (1.11 to 1.35) ^b | 1.14 (1.07 to 1.21) | <0.001 |
| 2-4 years | 419; 2216 | 0.93 (0.83 to 1.03) | 298; 1464 | 1.03 (0.90 to 1.17) | 0.97 (0.89 to 1.05) | 0.4 |
| 5-9 years | 674; 3463 | 0.96 (0.88 to 1.04) | 483; 2629 | 0.95 (0.86 to 1.05) | 0.95 (0.89 to 1.02) | 0.2 |
| 10+ years | 754; 3662 | 0.98 (0.90 to 1.07) | 586; 3067 | 1.00 (0.90 to 1.10) | 0.99 (0.93 to 1.05) | 0.7 |
| Estradiol | | | | | | |
| 13-23 months | 1277; 5641 | 1.16 (1.08 to 1.23) ^b | 932; 4016 | 1.23 (1.14 to 1.33) ^b | 1.18 (1.13 to 1.25) | <0.001 |
| 2-4 years | 527; 2934 | 0.89 (0.81 to 0.98) | 456; 2246 | 1.04 (0.94 to 1.16) | 0.95 (0.89 to 1.02) | 0.2 |
| 5-9 years | 849; 4027 | 1.03 (0.95 to 1.12) | 641; 3560 | 0.91 (0.83 to 1.00) | 0.98 (0.92 to 1.04) | 0.5 |
| 10+ years | 720; 3374 | 1.02 (0.93 to 1.11) | 547; 3129 | 0.87 (0.79 to 0.96) ^a | 0.95 (0.89 to 1.02) | 0.2 |
| OESTROGEN COMBINED with | | | | | | |
| any progestogen | | | | | | |
| 13-23 months | 6234; 18453 | 1.69 (1.64 to 1.75) ^b | 3701; 10854 | 1.91 (1.83 to 2.00) ^b | 1.77 (1.73 to 1.82) | <0.001 |
| 2-4 years | 2467; 11088 | 1.09 (1.04 to 1.14) ^b | 1503; 7323 | 1.10 (1.03 to 1.16) ^a | 1.09 (1.05 to 1.13) | <0.001 |

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|----------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|--------|
| 5-9 years | 3486; 15928 | 1.05 (1.01 to 1.09) | 2313; 11411 | 1.05 (1.00 to 1.10) | 1.05 (1.01 to 1.08) | 0.004 |
| 10+ years | 3187; 13845 | 1.07 (1.02 to 1.12) ^a | 1958; 10730 | 0.92 (0.87 to 0.97) ^a | 1.01 (0.97 to 1.05) | 0.6 |
| Medroxyprogesterone | | | | | | |
| 13-23 months | 1499; 4049 | 1.60 (1.50 to 1.70) ^b | 817; 2258 | 1.72 (1.58 to 1.87) ^b | 1.64 (1.56 to 1.72) | <0.001 |
| 2-4 years | 884; 3506 | 1.06 (0.98 to 1.15) | 520; 1999 | 1.18 (1.07 to 1.31) ^a | 1.11 (1.04 to 1.18) | 0.001 |
| 5-9 years | 1251; 5192 | 1.03 (0.97 to 1.10) | 735; 3353 | 1.05 (0.96 to 1.14) | 1.04 (0.98 to 1.09) | 0.2 |
| 10+ years | 1056; 4406 | 1.02 (0.95 to 1.10) | 574; 2920 | 1.00 (0.90 to 1.10) | 1.01 (0.96 to 1.07) | 0.7 |
| Levonorgestrel | | | | | | |
| 13-23 months | 1626; 4954 | 1.44 (1.36 to 1.53) ^b | 849; 2467 | 1.73 (1.59 to 1.88) ^b | 1.53 (1.46 to 1.61) | <0.001 |
| 2-4 years | 1420; 5064 | 1.16 (1.08 to 1.23) ^b | 713; 2673 | 1.18 (1.08 to 1.28) ^b | 1.16 (1.10 to 1.22) | <0.001 |
| 5-9 years | 2371; 9151 | 1.12 (1.07 to 1.18) ^b | 1425; 5864 | 1.13 (1.06 to 1.21) ^b | 1.13 (1.08 to 1.17) | <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 3057; 12235 | 1.11 (1.06 to 1.17) ^b | 1979; 10045 | 0.96 (0.91 to 1.02) | 1.05 (1.01 to 1.09) | 0.009 |
| Norethisterone | | | | | | |
| 13-23 months | 2955; 8677 | 1.54 (1.47 to 1.61) ^b | 1801; 5142 | 1.78 (1.67 to 1.88) ^b | 1.63 (1.57 to 1.69) | <0.001 |
| 2-4 years | 1615; 6825 | 1.02 (0.96 to 1.08) | 998; 4620 | 1.03 (0.96 to 1.11) | 1.03 (0.98 to 1.07) | 0.3 |
| 5-9 years | 2354; 10044 | 1.03 (0.98 to 1.08) | 1555; 7190 | 1.05 (0.99 to 1.12) | 1.04 (1.00 to 1.08) | 0.05 |
| 10+ years | 2227; 9345 | 1.05 (0.99 to 1.11) | 1329; 6979 | 0.95 (0.89 to 1.02) | 1.01 (0.97 to 1.05) | 0.6 |
| Dydrogesterone | | | | | | |
| 13-23 months | 390; 1435 | 1.09 (0.97 to 1.23) | 204; 786 | 1.13 (0.96 to 1.33) | 1.10 (1.01 to 1.21) | 0.04 |
| 2-4 years | 328; 1414 | 0.88 (0.77 to 0.99) | 179; 814 | 0.93 (0.79 to 1.10) | 0.90 (0.81 to 0.99) | 0.03 |
| 5-9 years | 506; 2100 | 0.96 (0.87 to 1.06) | 276; 1425 | 0.87 (0.76 to 1.00) | 0.93 (0.85 to 1.00) | 0.06 |
| 10+ years | 505; 2053 | 1.00 (0.90 to 1.11) | 226; 1219 | 0.89 (0.76 to 1.03) | 0.96 (0.89 to 1.05) | 0.4 |
| TIBOLONE | | | | | | |
| 13-23 months | 648; 2476 | 1.14 (1.04 to 1.25) ^a | 463; 1585 | 1.37 (1.23 to 1.52) ^b | 1.23 (1.15 to 1.32) | <0.001 |
| 2-4 years | 468; 1994 | 1.00 (0.90 to 1.11) | 316; 1544 | 0.93 (0.82 to 1.05) | 0.97 (0.89 to 1.05) | 0.4 |
| 5-9 years | 756; 3220 | 1.01 (0.93 to 1.10) | 527; 2556 | 0.97 (0.88 to 1.07) | 0.99 (0.93 to 1.06) | 0.9 |
| 10+ years | 643; 2872 | 0.96 (0.88 to 1.05) | 487; 2480 | 0.99 (0.89 to 1.10) | 0.97 (0.91 to 1.04) | 0.4 |

^aOdds ratios are with reference to never-users and based on cases and controls matched by age and practice and adjusted for smoking status, body mass index, family history of cancer, medical conditions and events, other medications and contraceptive drugs.; ^b P-value<0.01; ^b P-value<0.001

eTable 6 All cases and controls: Duration of use for different hormones of HRT and tibolone in women with recent (between >1 and <5 years before the index date) and past (5 years or more before the index date) exposures, combined analysis

| | Recent use (between >1 and <5 years) | | | Past use (5 years or more) | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|----------------------------|---|---|
| | N of cases; controls | Mean duration: cases; controls | Combined odds ratio [#] (95% confidence interval) | N of cases; controls | Mean duration: cases; controls | Combined odds ratio [#] (95% confidence interval) |
| OESTROGEN ONLY | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 629; 2917 | 0.5; 0.5 | 1.09 (1.00 to 1.19) | 1241; 5928 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.07 (1.00 to 1.14) |
| 1-2 years | 962; 4626 | 2.0; 2.0 | 1.08 (1.00 to 1.16) | 884; 4637 | 1.9; 1.9 | 0.98 (0.91 to 1.06) |
| 3-4 years | 940; 4265 | 4.0; 4.0 | 1.15 (1.07 to 1.24) ^b | 601; 3033 | 4.0; 4.0 | 1.01 (0.93 to 1.11) |
| 5-9 years | 1665; 7829 | 7.3; 7.2 | 1.14 (1.08 to 1.21) ^b | 929; 4813 | 7.1; 7.2 | 1.01 (0.94 to 1.08) |
| 10+ years | 781; 3592 | 13.0; 13.1 | 1.17 (1.08 to 1.27) ^b | 228; 1159 | 11.9; 11.8 | 0.90 (0.70 to 1.15) |
| For each year of use | | | 1.02 (1.01 to 1.02) ^b | | | 1.00 (0.99 to 1.01) |
| Conjugated equine oestrogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 284; 1431 | 0.5; 0.5 | 0.96 (0.84 to 1.09) | 1018; 5294 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.97 (0.91 to 1.04) |
| 1-2 years | 373; 1919 | 2.0; 2.0 | 0.98 (0.87 to 1.10) | 593; 2938 | 1.8; 1.8 | 1.01 (0.92 to 1.11) |
| 3-4 years | 426; 1830 | 4.0; 4.0 | 1.19 (1.07 to 1.33) ^a | 324; 1632 | 3.9; 3.9 | 0.99 (0.88 to 1.12) |
| 5-9 years | 736; 3397 | 7.2; 7.2 | 1.15 (1.06 to 1.25) ^a | 562; 2957 | 8.0; 8.0 | 0.97 (0.88 to 1.06) |
| 10+ years | 292; 1475 | 12.9; 12.9 | 1.04 (0.92 to 1.18) | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| For each year of use | | | 1.01 (1.00 to 1.02) | | | 0.99 (0.98 to 1.00) |
| Estradiol | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 601; 2823 | 0.4; 0.5 | 1.06 (0.96 to 1.16) | 1083; 5589 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.97 (0.90 to 1.04) |
| 1-2 years | 733; 3444 | 2.0; 2.0 | 1.07 (0.99 to 1.17) | 699; 3569 | 1.9; 1.9 | 0.99 (0.91 to 1.08) |
| 3-4 years | 569; 2731 | 3.9; 4.0 | 1.07 (0.97 to 1.17) | 383; 1977 | 3.9; 3.9 | 0.97 (0.87 to 1.09) |
| 5-9 years | 891; 4172 | 7.2; 7.1 | 1.12 (1.04 to 1.21) ^a | 592; 2955 | 7.8; 7.8 | 1.01 (0.92 to 1.11) |
| 10+ years | 398; 1667 | 13.0; 13.1 | 1.25 (1.12 to 1.40) ^b | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| For each year of use | | | 1.02 (1.01 to 1.02) ^b | | | 1.00 (0.99 to 1.01) |

| OESTROGEN COMBINED with | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|------------|----------------------------------|-------------|------------|----------------------------------|
| any progestogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1911; 8627 | 0.5; 0.5 | 1.11 (1.06 to 1.17) ^β | 3501; 18025 | 0.5; 0.4 | 0.98 (0.94 to 1.02) |
| 1-2 years | 2945; 11239 | 2.0; 2.0 | 1.34 (1.28 to 1.40) ^β | 2834; 13466 | 1.9; 1.9 | 1.05 (1.01 to 1.10) |
| 3-4 years | 2671; 9166 | 4.0; 4.0 | 1.50 (1.43 to 1.57) ^β | 1766; 8183 | 4.0; 3.9 | 1.08 (1.02 to 1.14) ^α |
| 5-9 years | 4537; 14035 | 7.2; 7.1 | 1.70 (1.64 to 1.76) ^β | 2373; 10413 | 7.0; 7.0 | 1.17 (1.11 to 1.22) ^β |
| 10+ years | 1841; 4651 | 12.9; 12.7 | 2.05 (1.94 to 2.17) ^β | 470; 1827 | 11.6; 11.8 | 1.09 (0.91 to 1.30) |
| For each year of use ^γ | | | 1.22 (1.21 to 1.23) ^β | | | 1.02 (1.01 to 1.03) ^β |
| Medroxyprogesterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1181; 4293 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.14 (1.07 to 1.22) ^β | 1924; 8724 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.98 (0.93 to 1.03) |
| 1-2 years | 1085; 3583 | 1.9; 1.9 | 1.32 (1.23 to 1.42) ^β | 963; 4116 | 1.9; 1.8 | 1.03 (0.96 to 1.11) |
| 3-4 years | 714; 2047 | 3.9; 3.9 | 1.62 (1.48 to 1.77) ^β | 455; 1836 | 3.9; 3.9 | 1.14 (1.03 to 1.27) |
| 5-9 years | 621; 1673 | 6.8; 6.6 | 1.78 (1.62 to 1.96) ^β | 274; 1195 | 6.4; 6.4 | 1.07 (0.94 to 1.23) |
| 10+ years | 119; 216 | 12.0; 12.1 | 2.63 (2.08 to 3.31) ^β | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| For each year of use | | | 1.10 (1.09 to 1.11) ^β | | | 1.02 (1.00 to 1.03) |
| Levonorgestrel | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1058; 4167 | 0.5; 0.5 | 1.12 (1.04 to 1.20) ^α | 3716; 17049 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.99 (0.95 to 1.03) |
| 1-2 years | 1152; 3943 | 2.0; 1.9 | 1.33 (1.24 to 1.43) ^β | 2436; 10199 | 1.9; 1.8 | 1.05 (1.00 to 1.10) |
| 3-4 years | 884; 2889 | 4.0; 4.0 | 1.44 (1.33 to 1.56) ^β | 1269; 4987 | 3.9; 3.9 | 1.12 (1.05 to 1.19) ^β |
| 5-9 years | 1217; 3455 | 7.0; 7.0 | 1.73 (1.62 to 1.86) ^β | 1411; 5060 | 7.2; 7.2 | 1.24 (1.16 to 1.32) ^β |
| 10+ years | 297; 704 | 12.3; 12.3 | 2.13 (1.85 to 2.44) ^β | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| For each year of use ^δ | | | 1.08 (1.07 to 1.08) ^β | | | 1.07 (1.05 to 1.08) ^β |
| Norethisterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1931; 8218 | 0.5; 0.4 | 1.02 (0.97 to 1.08) | 3764; 17319 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.01 (0.97 to 1.05) |
| 1-2 years | 1988; 7119 | 2.0; 1.9 | 1.28 (1.22 to 1.35) ^β | 1954; 8700 | 1.8; 1.8 | 1.05 (0.99 to 1.10) |
| 3-4 years | 1362; 4401 | 3.9; 3.9 | 1.50 (1.41 to 1.60) ^β | 913; 4010 | 3.9; 3.9 | 1.07 (0.99 to 1.15) |
| 5-9 years | 1680; 4633 | 7.0; 6.9 | 1.82 (1.72 to 1.93) ^β | 834; 3529 | 7.0; 7.0 | 1.14 (1.05 to 1.23) ^α |
| 10+ years | 408; 893 | 12.5; 12.2 | 2.28 (2.02 to 2.57) ^β | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| For each year of use ^γ | | | 1.24 (1.22 to 1.26) ^β | | | 1.02 (1.01 to 1.02) ^β |

| Dydrogesterone | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|----------|---------------------|
| <1 year | 503; 1922 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.05 (0.94 to 1.16) | 953; 4229 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.94 (0.87 to 1.01) |
| 1-2 years | 307; 1350 | 1.9; 1.8 | 0.96 (0.85 to 1.09) | 390; 1704 | 1.8; 1.8 | 0.97 (0.86 to 1.08) |
| 3-4 years | 136; 601 | 4.0; 3.9 | 1.02 (0.85 to 1.24) | 103; 568 | 3.7; 3.8 | 0.78 (0.63 to 0.96) |
| 5-9 years | 127; 499 | 6.8; 6.7 | 1.18 (0.97 to 1.44) | 67; 296 | 6.7; 6.8 | 1.07 (0.81 to 1.40) |
| 10+ years | 28; 77 | 11.3; 11.7 | 1.72 (1.11 to 2.67) | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| For each year of use | | | 1.02 (1.00 to 1.04) | | | 0.98 (0.95 to 1.01) |
| | | | | | | |
| TIBOLONE | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 656; 2850 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.95 (0.87 to 1.04) | 1527; 7035 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.97 (0.92 to 1.03) |
| 1-2 years | 501; 1904 | 1.9; 1.9 | 1.13 (1.03 to 1.26) | 512; 2353 | 1.8; 1.8 | 0.98 (0.89 to 1.08) |
| 3-4 years | 278; 1167 | 4.0; 3.9 | 1.13 (0.99 to 1.29) | 201; 918 | 3.9; 3.9 | 1.02 (0.87 to 1.19) |
| 5-9 years | 371; 1376 | 7.1; 7.0 | 1.30 (1.16 to 1.46) ^β | 173; 822 | 7.2; 7.3 | 1.02 (0.86 to 1.21) |
| 10+ years | 89; 302 | 11.9; 12.7 | 1.46 (1.15 to 1.86) ^α | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| For each year of use | | | 1.03 (1.02 to 1.05) ^β | | | 1.00 (0.98 to 1.02) |

^aOdds ratios are with reference to never-users and based on cases and controls matched by age and practice and adjusted for smoking

status, body mass index, family history of cancer, medical conditions and events, other medications and contraceptive drugs; ^α P-value<0.01;

^β P-value<0.001; n/d – not enough data, few observations added to previous category;

^γ duration for recent use was transformed as square root (exposure)

^δ duration for past use was transformed as square root (exposure)

eTable 7 All cases and controls: Duration of use for different doses of hormones and types of application in women with recent (between >1 and <5 years before the index date) and past (5 years or more before the index date) exposures, combined analysis

| | Recent use (between >1 and <5 years) | | Past use (5 years or more) | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|----------------------------|---|
| | N of cases; controls | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | N of cases; controls | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) |
| OESTROGEN ONLY | | | | |
| Conjugated equine oestrogen | | | | |
| ≤0.625mg | | | | |
| <1 year | 221; 1111 | 0.98 (0.84 to 1.13) | 770; 4012 | 0.98 (0.90 to 1.06) |
| 1-4 years | 553; 2618 | 1.09 (0.99 to 1.20) | 671; 3186 | 1.06 (0.97 to 1.15) |
| 5+ years | 655; 3097 | 1.12 (1.03 to 1.23) ^a | 370; 2008 | 0.94 (0.84 to 1.06) |
| >0.625mg | | | | |
| <1 year | 63; 320 | 0.95 (0.72 to 1.25) | 248; 1282 | 1.00 (0.87 to 1.15) |
| 1-4 years | 246; 1131 | 1.11 (0.97 to 1.28) | 246; 1384 | 0.90 (0.78 to 1.03) |
| 5+ years | 373; 1775 | 1.15 (1.02 to 1.29) | 192; 949 | 1.04 (0.89 to 1.22) |
| Estradiol | | | | |
| ≤1mg | | | | |
| <1 year | 518; 2407 | 1.08 (0.98 to 1.19) | 934; 4703 | 1.01 (0.93 to 1.08) |
| 1-4 years | 974; 4623 | 1.09 (1.02 to 1.18) | 865; 4365 | 1.01 (0.94 to 1.09) |
| 5+ years | 906; 4116 | 1.17 (1.08 to 1.26) ^b | 455; 2222 | 1.04 (0.94 to 1.16) |
| >1mg | | | | |
| <1 year | 83; 416 | 1.00 (0.79 to 1.27) | 149; 886 | 0.84 (0.70 to 1.00) |
| 1-4 years | 328; 1551 | 1.07 (0.95 to 1.21) | 217; 1180 | 0.93 (0.80 to 1.08) |
| 5+ years | 383; 1723 | 1.19 (1.06 to 1.34) ^a | 137; 733 | 0.95 (0.79 to 1.15) |
| oral | | | | |
| <1 year | 335; 1616 | 1.03 (0.91 to 1.16) | 705; 3436 | 1.03 (0.95 to 1.12) |
| 1-4 years | 533; 2651 | 1.01 (0.92 to 1.11) | 502; 2403 | 1.05 (0.95 to 1.16) |
| 5+ years | 415; 2037 | 1.06 (0.95 to 1.19) | 189; 1004 | 0.94 (0.81 to 1.11) |

| | | | | |
|------------------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| <i>transdermal</i> | | | | |
| <1 year | 426; 2022 | 1.03 (0.93 to 1.15) | 927; 4934 | 0.93 (0.87 to 1.01) |
| 1-4 years | 821; 3860 | 1.09 (1.00 to 1.18) | 778; 4059 | 0.97 (0.89 to 1.05) |
| 5+ years | 833; 3533 | 1.23 (1.14 to 1.33) ^b | 387; 1894 | 1.02 (0.91 to 1.14) |
| Levonorgestrel | | | | |
| <i>oral</i> | | | | |
| <1 year | 943; 3773 | 1.10 (1.02 to 1.18) | 3679; 16954 | 0.99 (0.95 to 1.02) |
| 1-4 years | 1798; 6043 | 1.39 (1.31 to 1.47) ^b | 3635; 14870 | 1.08 (1.03 to 1.12) ^b |
| 5+ years | 1430; 3909 | 1.81 (1.70 to 1.93) ^b | 1397; 4976 | 1.24 (1.17 to 1.33) ^b |
| <i>transdermal</i> | 215; 768 | 1.13 (0.96 to 1.32) | 250; 890 | 1.16 (1.00 to 1.34) |
| <i>intra-uterine device</i> | 314; 971 | 1.29 (1.13 to 1.47) ^b | 58; 314 | 0.74 (0.55 to 0.98) |
| Norethisterone | | | | |
| <i>oral</i> | | | | |
| <1 year | 1764; 7539 | 1.01 (0.95 to 1.06) | 3486; 15994 | 1.00 (0.96 to 1.04) |
| 1-4 years | 2846; 9441 | 1.40 (1.34 to 1.46) ^b | 2318; 10275 | 1.04 (0.99 to 1.09) |
| 5+ years | 1692; 4358 | 1.94 (1.83 to 2.06) ^b | 645; 2621 | 1.18 (1.08 to 1.29) ^b |
| <i>transdermal</i> | | | | |
| <1 year | 523; 2163 | 1.01 (0.91 to 1.11) | 1458; 6467 | 0.99 (0.93 to 1.05) |
| 1-4 years | 601; 2260 | 1.21 (1.10 to 1.33) ^b | 811; 3451 | 1.03 (0.95 to 1.12) |
| 5+ years | 307; 878 | 1.70 (1.49 to 1.94) ^b | 168; 727 | 1.06 (0.89 to 1.25) |

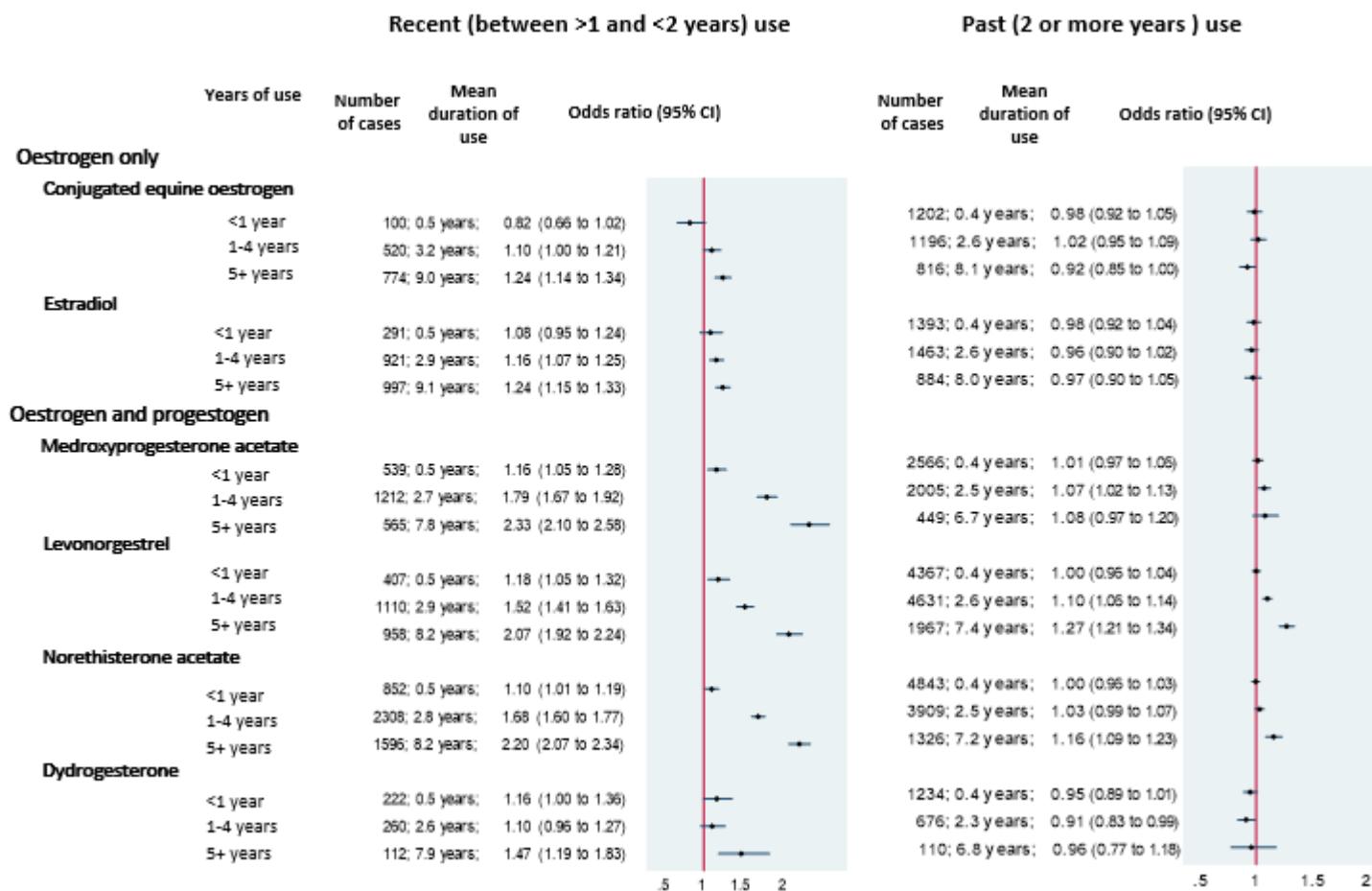
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[#]Odds ratios are with reference to never-users and based on cases and controls matched by age and practice and adjusted for smoking status, body mass index, family history of cancer, medical conditions and events, other medications and contraceptive drugs.

eFigure 2 Exposure to HRT by definition of recency

| Years of use | Recent (between >1 and <5 years) and past (5 years or more) use | | | | Recent (between >1 and <2 years) and past (2 years or more) use | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|----------------------|---------------------|----|---|----------------------|---------------------|----|
| | Number of cases | Mean duration of use | Odds ratio (95% CI) | | Number of cases | Mean duration of use | Odds ratio (95% CI) | |
| Recent use | | | | | | | | |
| Oestrogen only | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 629 | 0.5 | 1.09 (1.00 to 1.19) | + | 298 | 0.5 | 1.05 (0.93 to 1.20) | + |
| 1-4 years | 1902 | 3.0 | 1.11 (1.06 to 1.18) | + | 1342 | 3.0 | 1.17 (1.10 to 1.24) | + |
| 5+ years | 2446 | 9.1 | 1.15 (1.09 to 1.21) | + | 1890 | 9.2 | 1.25 (1.18 to 1.32) | + |
| Oestrogen and progestogen | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1911 | 0.5 | 1.12 (1.06 to 1.18) | + | 956 | 0.5 | 1.20 (1.12 to 1.29) | ++ |
| 1-4 years | 5616 | 2.9 | 1.42 (1.37 to 1.47) | + | 4041 | 3.0 | 1.65 (1.59 to 1.71) | ++ |
| 5+ years | 6378 | 8.8 | 1.79 (1.73 to 1.85) | ++ | 4938 | 9.0 | 2.10 (2.02 to 2.17) | ++ |
| Past use | | | | | | | | |
| Oestrogen only | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1241 | 0.4 | 1.07 (1.00 to 1.14) | + | 1572 | 0.4 | 1.08 (1.02 to 1.14) | + |
| 1-4 years | 1485 | 2.7 | 0.99 (0.93 to 1.05) | + | 2045 | 2.7 | 0.99 (0.94 to 1.05) | + |
| 5+ years | 1157 | 8.1 | 1.00 (0.93 to 1.07) | + | 1713 | 8.3 | 0.95 (0.90 to 1.01) | + |
| Oestrogen and progestogen | | | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 3501 | 0.5 | 0.98 (0.94 to 1.01) | + | 4456 | 0.5 | 0.99 (0.95 to 1.02) | + |
| 1-4 years | 4600 | 2.7 | 1.06 (1.02 to 1.09) | + | 6175 | 2.7 | 1.05 (1.02 to 1.08) | + |
| 5+ years | 2843 | 7.8 | 1.16 (1.11 to 1.21) | + | 4283 | 8.0 | 1.15 (1.11 to 1.19) | + |

Odds ratios are with reference to never-users and adjusted for smoking, alcohol consumption, Townsend quintile (QResearch only), body mass index, ethnicity, history of other cancers, oophorectomy/hysterectomy, records of menopause, scans, comorbidities, other medications, years of data. Cases are matched to controls by age, general practice and index date.

eFigure 3 Duration of exposure to oestrogen-only and oestrogen-progestogen therapies and risks in recent (last use within >1 and <2 years before the index date) and past (≥ 2 years) users



Odds ratios are with reference to never-users and adjusted for smoking, alcohol consumption, Townsend quintile (QResearch only), body mass index, ethnicity, history of other cancers, oophorectomy/hysterectomy, records of menopause, scans, comorbidities, other medications, years of data. Cases are matched to controls by age, general practice and index date.

eTable 8 All cases and controls: Duration of use for different hormones of HRT and tibolone in women with recent (between >1 and <2 years before the index date) and past (2 years or more before the index date) exposures, combined analysis

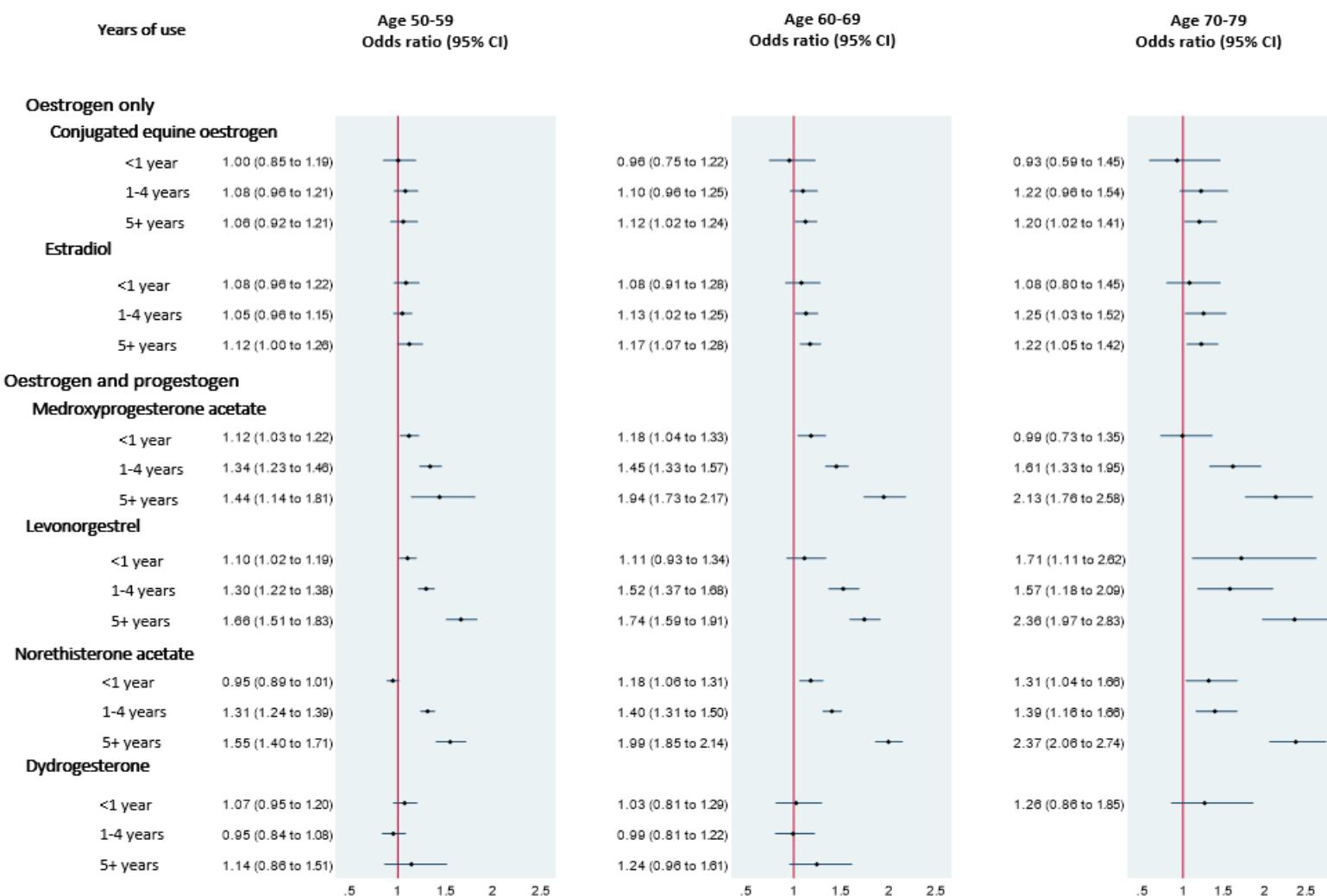
| | Recent exposure (between >1 and <2 years) | | | Past exposures (2 years or more) | | |
|------------------------------------|--|---|---|----------------------------------|---|---|
| | N of cases; controls | Mean duration: cases; controls | Combined odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | N of cases; controls | Mean duration: cases; controls | Combined odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) |
| OESTROGEN ONLY | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 298; 1433 | 0.5; 0.5 | 1.05 (0.92 to 1.20) | 1572; 7412 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.08 (1.02 to 1.14) |
| 1-2 years | 648; 3037 | 2.0; 2.0 | 1.12 (1.02 to 1.22) | 1198; 6226 | 1.9; 1.9 | 0.98 (0.92 to 1.05) |
| 3-4 years | 694; 3028 | 4.0; 4.0 | 1.22 (1.12 to 1.33) ^b | 847; 4270 | 4.0; 4.0 | 1.01 (0.94 to 1.09) |
| 5-9 years | 1259; 5488 | 7.3; 7.2 | 1.25 (1.17 to 1.33) ^b | 1335; 7154 | 7.2; 7.2 | 0.97 (0.91 to 1.03) |
| 10+ years | 631; 2688 | 13.1; 13.3 | 1.26 (1.15 to 1.38) ^b | 378; 2063 | 12.2; 12.1 | 0.83 (0.69 to 1.01) |
| Conjugated equine oestrogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 100; 592 | 0.5; 0.5 | 0.82 (0.66 to 1.02) | 1202; 6133 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.98 (0.92 to 1.05) |
| 1-2 years | 221; 1149 | 2.0; 2.1 | 0.98 (0.85 to 1.14) | 745; 3708 | 1.8; 1.9 | 1.01 (0.93 to 1.09) |
| 3-4 years | 299; 1287 | 4.0; 4.0 | 1.20 (1.06 to 1.37) ^a | 451; 2175 | 3.9; 4.0 | 1.04 (0.94 to 1.15) |
| 5-9 years | 541; 2280 | 7.2; 7.2 | 1.28 (1.16 to 1.41) ^b | 816; 4485 | 8.1; 8.2 | 0.92 (0.85 to 1.00) |
| 10+ years | 233; 1064 | 13.1; 13.1 | 1.16 (1.00 to 1.34) | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| Estradiol | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 291; 1326 | 0.5; 0.5 | 1.08 (0.95 to 1.24) | 1393; 7086 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.98 (0.92 to 1.04) |
| 1-2 years | 503; 2208 | 2.0; 2.0 | 1.16 (1.05 to 1.29) ^a | 929; 4805 | 1.9; 1.9 | 0.97 (0.90 to 1.04) |
| 3-4 years | 418; 1892 | 3.9; 4.0 | 1.15 (1.03 to 1.28) | 534; 2816 | 3.9; 3.9 | 0.95 (0.86 to 1.04) |
| 5-9 years | 675; 2954 | 7.2; 7.1 | 1.21 (1.11 to 1.32) ^b | 884; 4563 | 8.0; 8.0 | 0.97 (0.90 to 1.05) |
| 10+ years | 322; 1277 | 13.1; 13.2 | 1.32 (1.17 to 1.50) ^b | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| OESTROGEN COMBINED with | | | | | | |
| any progestogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 956; 4010 | 0.5; 0.5 | 1.20 (1.11 to 1.29) ^b | 4456; 22642 | 0.5; 0.5 | 0.99 (0.95 to 1.02) |
| 1-2 years | 2052; 6821 | 2.0; 2.0 | 1.57 (1.49 to 1.65) ^b | 3727; 17884 | 1.9; 1.9 | 1.04 (1.00 to 1.08) |

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|----------------------------|------------|------------|----------------------------------|-------------|------------|----------------------------------|
| 3-4 years | 1989; 6045 | 4.0; 4.0 | 1.73 (1.64 to 1.82) ^b | 2448; 11304 | 4.0; 3.9 | 1.08 (1.03 to 1.13) ^a |
| 5-9 years | 3415; 9114 | 7.2; 7.1 | 1.99 (1.91 to 2.08) ^b | 3495; 15334 | 7.1; 7.0 | 1.16 (1.12 to 1.20) ^b |
| 10+ years | 1523; 3317 | 13.1; 12.9 | 2.37 (2.23 to 2.53) ^b | 788; 3161 | 11.8; 11.9 | 1.09 (0.95 to 1.25) |
| Medroxyprogesterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 539; 1887 | 0.5; 0.5 | 1.16 (1.05 to 1.28) ^a | 2566; 11130 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.01 (0.97 to 1.06) |
| 1-2 years | 706; 2026 | 1.9; 1.9 | 1.66 (1.52 to 1.81) ^b | 1342; 5673 | 1.9; 1.9 | 1.04 (0.98 to 1.11) |
| 3-4 years | 506; 1231 | 3.9; 3.9 | 2.02 (1.82 to 2.25) ^b | 663; 2652 | 3.9; 3.9 | 1.13 (1.04 to 1.24) ^a |
| 5-9 years | 465; 983 | 6.9; 6.7 | 2.27 (2.03 to 2.55) ^b | 449; 1921 | 6.7; 6.5 | 1.08 (0.97 to 1.20) |
| 10+ years | 100; 180 | 12.1; 12.2 | 2.65 (2.06 to 3.41) ^b | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| Levonorgestrel | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 407; 1491 | 0.5; 0.5 | 1.18 (1.06 to 1.33) ^a | 4367; 19725 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.00 (0.97 to 1.04) |
| 1-2 years | 606; 1986 | 2.0; 2.0 | 1.45 (1.32 to 1.60) ^b | 2982; 12156 | 1.9; 1.8 | 1.08 (1.03 to 1.13) ^b |
| 3-4 years | 504; 1561 | 4.0; 4.0 | 1.60 (1.45 to 1.78) ^b | 1649; 6315 | 3.9; 3.9 | 1.14 (1.08 to 1.21) ^b |
| 5-9 years | 748; 1937 | 7.1; 7.0 | 1.99 (1.83 to 2.18) ^b | 1967; 6836 | 7.4; 7.3 | 1.28 (1.21 to 1.35) ^b |
| 10+ years | 210; 446 | 12.4; 12.6 | 2.45 (2.07 to 2.90) ^b | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| Norethisterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 852; 3392 | 0.5; 0.5 | 1.10 (1.01 to 1.19) | 4843; 22145 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.00 (0.96 to 1.03) |
| 1-2 years | 1327; 4076 | 2.0; 1.9 | 1.60 (1.50 to 1.71) ^b | 2615; 11743 | 1.8; 1.8 | 1.02 (0.97 to 1.07) |
| 3-4 years | 981; 2724 | 3.9; 3.9 | 1.82 (1.68 to 1.96) ^b | 1294; 5687 | 3.9; 3.9 | 1.06 (0.99 to 1.13) |
| 5-9 years | 1254; 2939 | 7.0; 6.9 | 2.16 (2.02 to 2.31) ^b | 1326; 5428 | 7.2; 7.1 | 1.16 (1.09 to 1.24) ^b |
| 10+ years | 342; 688 | 12.7; 12.3 | 2.43 (2.13 to 2.77) ^b | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| Dydrogesterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 222; 764 | 0.5; 0.4 | 1.17 (1.00 to 1.36) | 1234; 5387 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.95 (0.89 to 1.01) |
| 1-2 years | 177; 725 | 1.9; 1.9 | 1.15 (0.97 to 1.35) | 520; 2329 | 1.8; 1.8 | 0.94 (0.85 to 1.03) |
| 3-4 years | 83; 372 | 4.0; 3.9 | 1.05 (0.83 to 1.34) | 156; 797 | 3.8; 3.8 | 0.84 (0.70 to 1.00) |
| 5+ years | 112; 360 | 7.9; 7.6 | 1.48 (1.19 to 1.84) ^b | 110; 512 | 6.8; 6.9 | 0.96 (0.78 to 1.19) |
| TIBOLONE | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 261; 1062 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.00 (0.87 to 1.15) | 1922; 8823 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.97 (0.92 to 1.02) |

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|-----------|-----------|------------|----------------------------------|-----------|----------|---------------------|
| 1-2 years | 314; 1107 | 2.0; 1.9 | 1.37 (1.21 to 1.56) ^β | 699; 3150 | 1.8; 1.8 | 0.99 (0.91 to 1.08) |
| 3-4 years | 196; 752 | 4.0; 3.9 | 1.28 (1.09 to 1.50) ^α | 283; 1333 | 3.9; 3.9 | 0.98 (0.86 to 1.12) |
| 5-9 years | 270; 907 | 7.1; 7.0 | 1.44 (1.25 to 1.65) ^β | 293; 1360 | 7.5; 7.4 | 1.04 (0.91 to 1.18) |
| 10+ years | 70; 233 | 12.0; 12.9 | 1.48 (1.13 to 1.94) ^α | n/d | n/d | n/d |

^αOdds ratios are with reference to never-users and based on cases and controls matched by age and practice and adjusted for smoking status, body mass index, family history of cancer, medical conditions and events, other medications and contraceptive drugs; ^α P-value<0.01;
^β P-value<0.001; n/d – not enough data, few observations added to previous category

eFigure 4 Recent (between >1 and <5 years) use of different types of HRT in women of different age



Odds ratios are with reference to never-users and adjusted for smoking, alcohol consumption, Townsend quintile (QResearch only), body mass index, ethnicity, history of other cancers, oophorectomy/hysterectomy, records of menopause, scans, comorbidities, other medications, years of data. Cases are matched to controls by age, general practice and index date.

eTable 9 Duration of use for different hormones of HRT and tibolone in women with **recent** (between >1 and <5 years) different exposures by age at the index date

| | Age 50-59 | | Age 60-69 | | Age 70-79 | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--|
| | N & mean duration for cases | Adjusted odds ratio [#] (95% confidence interval) | N & mean duration for cases | Adjusted odds ratio [#] (95% confidence interval) | N & mean duration for cases | Adjusted odds ratio [#] (95% confidence interval) |
| Total number of cases | 35394 | | 37015 | | 26202 | |
| OESTROGEN ONLY | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 384; 0.5 | 1.14 (1.02 to 1.28) | 182; 0.5 | 1.09 (0.92 to 1.28) | 63; 0.4 | 1.12 (0.84 to 1.48) |
| 1-4 years | 1010; 2.9 | 1.12 (1.03 to 1.21) ^a | 691; 3.1 | 1.13 (1.04 to 1.24) ^a | 201; 3.1 | 1.26 (1.07 to 1.48) ^a |
| 5+ years | 735; 7.9 | 1.08 (0.99 to 1.18) | 1266; 9.3 | 1.17 (1.09 to 1.25) ^b | 445; 10.7 | 1.25 (1.11 to 1.39) ^b |
| Conjugated equine oestrogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 181; 0.5 | 1.00 (0.85 to 1.19) | 78; 0.5 | 0.96 (0.75 to 1.22) | 25; 0.4 | 0.93 (0.59 to 1.45) |
| 1-4 years | 399; 2.9 | 1.08 (0.96 to 1.21) | 308; 3.1 | 1.10 (0.96 to 1.25) | 92; 3.2 | 1.22 (0.96 to 1.54) |
| 5+ years | 290; 7.8 | 1.06 (0.92 to 1.21) | 538; 8.9 | 1.12 (1.02 to 1.24) | 200; 10.3 | 1.20 (1.02 to 1.41) |
| Estradiol | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 366; 0.5 | 1.08 (0.96 to 1.22) | 178; 0.4 | 1.08 (0.91 to 1.28) | 57; 0.4 | 1.08 (0.80 to 1.45) |
| 1-4 years | 686; 2.7 | 1.05 (0.96 to 1.15) | 479; 2.9 | 1.13 (1.02 to 1.25) | 137; 3.0 | 1.25 (1.03 to 1.52) |
| 5+ years | 401; 7.7 | 1.12 (1.00 to 1.26) | 663; 9.2 | 1.17 (1.07 to 1.28) ^b | 225; 10.5 | 1.22 (1.05 to 1.42) ^a |
| OESTROGEN COMBINED with | | | | | | |
| any progestogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1461; 0.5 | 1.05 (0.99 to 1.12) | 373; 0.5 | 1.27 (1.13 to 1.42) ^b | 77; 0.4 | 1.34 (1.03 to 1.73) |
| 1-4 years | 3597; 2.8 | 1.34 (1.28 to 1.39) ^b | 1742; 3.2 | 1.49 (1.41 to 1.58) ^b | 277; 3.1 | 1.62 (1.41 to 1.87) ^b |
| 5+ years | 1982; 7.5 | 1.57 (1.48 to 1.66) ^b | 3501; 9.1 | 1.83 (1.75 to 1.91) ^b | 895; 11.1 | 2.20 (2.02 to 2.39) ^b |
| Medroxyprogesterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 745; 0.4 | 1.12 (1.03 to 1.22) | 377; 0.5 | 1.18 (1.04 to 1.33) ^a | 59; 0.4 | 0.99 (0.73 to 1.35) |
| 1-4 years | 769; 2.4 | 1.34 (1.23 to 1.46) ^b | 868; 2.9 | 1.45 (1.33 to 1.57) ^b | 162; 3.0 | 1.61 (1.33 to 1.95) ^b |
| 5+ years | 100; 6.9 | 1.44 (1.14 to 1.81) ^a | 469; 7.4 | 1.94 (1.73 to 2.17) ^b | 171; 8.8 | 2.13 (1.76 to 2.58) ^b |
| Levonorgestrel | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 870; 0.5 | 1.10 (1.02 to 1.19) | 156; 0.5 | 1.11 (0.93 to 1.34) | 32; 0.5 | 1.71 (1.11 to 2.62) |

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|-----------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| 1-4 years | 1421; 2.7 | 1.30 (1.22 to 1.38) ^b | 546; 3.2 | 1.52 (1.37 to 1.68) ^b | 69; 2.8 | 1.57 (1.18 to 2.09) ^a |
| 5+ years | 617; 7.1 | 1.66 (1.51 to 1.83) ^b | 702; 8.3 | 1.74 (1.59 to 1.91) ^b | 195; 10.2 | 2.36 (1.97 to 2.83) ^b |
| Norethisterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1301; 0.5 | 0.95 (0.89 to 1.01) | 523; 0.5 | 1.18 (1.06 to 1.31) ^a | 107; 0.4 | 1.31 (1.04 to 1.66) |
| 1-4 years | 1939; 2.6 | 1.31 (1.24 to 1.39) ^b | 1236; 3.0 | 1.40 (1.31 to 1.50) ^b | 175; 2.9 | 1.39 (1.16 to 1.66) ^b |
| 5+ years | 559; 7.0 | 1.55 (1.40 to 1.71) ^b | 1225; 8.2 | 1.99 (1.85 to 2.14) ^b | 304; 9.6 | 2.37 (2.06 to 2.74) ^b |
| Dydrogesterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 395; 0.4 | 1.07 (0.95 to 1.20) | 100; 0.4 | 1.03 (0.81 to 1.29) | 38; 4.8 | 1.26 (0.86 to 1.85) |
| 1-4 years | 308; 2.5 | 0.95 (0.84 to 1.08) | 120; 2.6 | 0.99 (0.81 to 1.22) | n/d | n/d |
| 5+ years | 64; 6.7 | 1.14 (0.86 to 1.51) | 76; 8.1 | 1.24 (0.96 to 1.61) | n/d | n/d |
| TIBOLONE | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 327; 0.4 | 0.87 (0.77 to 0.99) | 286; 0.4 | 1.07 (0.94 to 1.23) | 43; 0.4 | 0.85 (0.61 to 1.20) |
| 1-4 years | 264; 2.3 | 1.08 (0.94 to 1.23) | 409; 2.8 | 1.14 (1.02 to 1.27) | 106; 3.0 | 1.25 (1.00 to 1.57) |
| 5+ years | 48; 7.0 | 1.21 (0.88 to 1.66) | 258; 7.7 | 1.29 (1.12 to 1.48) ^b | 154; 9.0 | 1.50 (1.25 to 1.81) ^b |

^aOdds ratios are with reference to never-users and based on cases and controls matched by age and practice and adjusted for smoking status, body mass index, family history of cancer, medical conditions and events, other medications and contraceptive drugs.

^a P-value<0.01; ^b P-value<0.001

eTable 10 Duration of use for different hormones of HRT and tibolone in women with **past** (5 years or more before the index date) different exposures by age at the index date

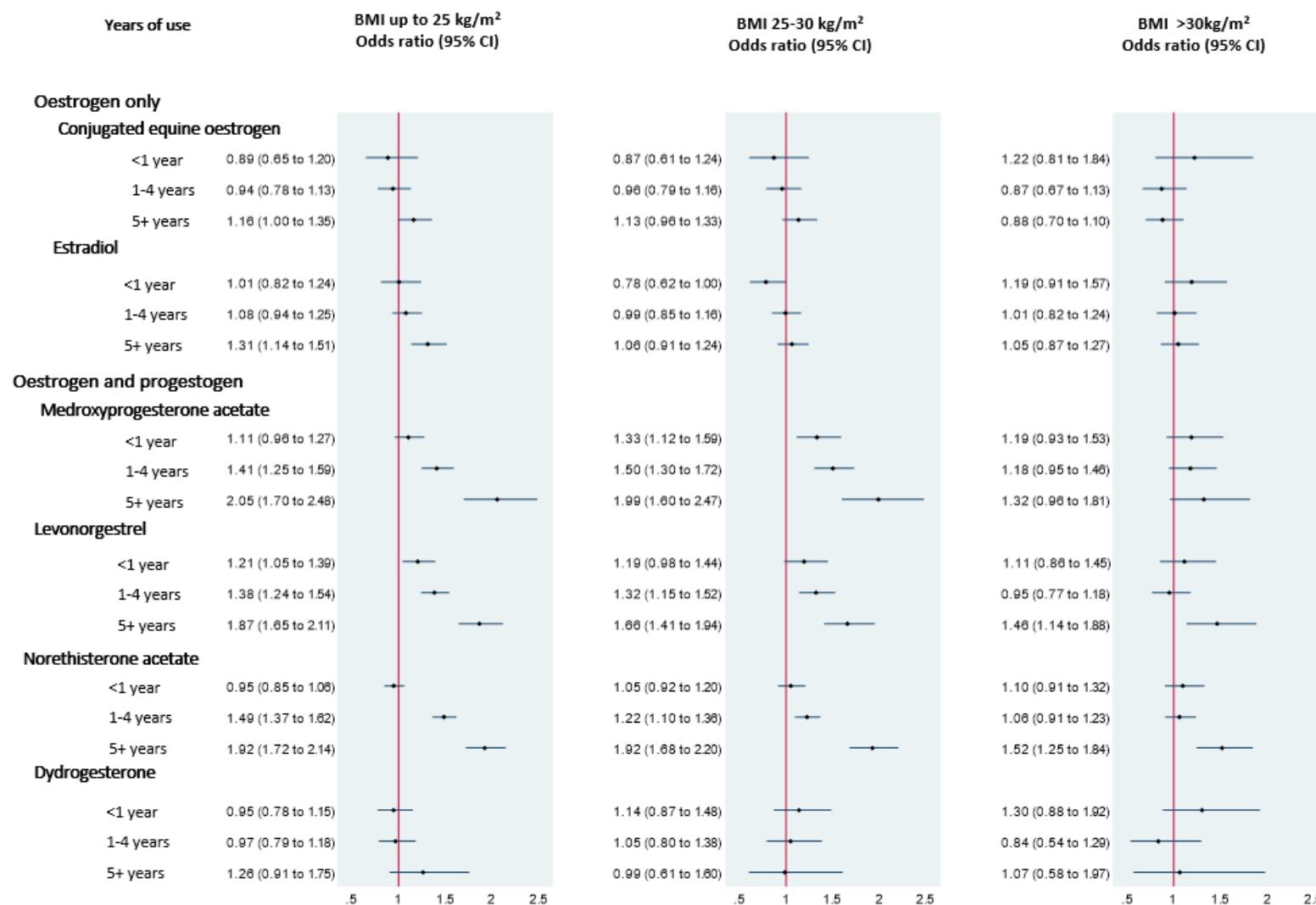
| | Age 50-59 | | Age 60-69 | | Age 70-79 | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--|
| | N & mean duration for cases | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | N & mean duration for cases | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | N & mean duration for cases | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) |
| Total number of cases | 35394 | | 37015 | | 26202 | |
| OESTROGEN ONLY | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 250; 0.4 | 1.05 (0.91 to 1.21) | 601; 0.4 | 1.05 (0.96 to 1.16) | 390; 0.4 | 1.09 (0.97 to 1.22) |
| 1-4 years | 174; 2.5 | 0.94 (0.79 to 1.11) | 817; 2.8 | 0.94 (0.87 to 1.02) | 494; 2.7 | 1.08 (0.97 to 1.20) |
| 5+ years | 56; 7.1 | 1.03 (0.77 to 1.38) | 590; 7.9 | 0.93 (0.84 to 1.02) | 511; 8.4 | 1.06 (0.95 to 1.17) |
| Conjugated equine oestrogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 213; 0.4 | 0.86 (0.74 to 1.00) | 534; 0.4 | 1.02 (0.93 to 1.13) | 271; 0.4 | 0.97 (0.84 to 1.11) |
| 1-4 years | 135; 2.3 | 0.98 (0.81 to 1.19) | 462; 2.7 | 0.91 (0.82 to 1.02) | 320; 2.5 | 1.14 (1.00 to 1.29) |
| 5+ years | 27; 7.0 | 1.01 (0.67 to 1.53) | 260; 7.7 | 0.86 (0.75 to 0.98) | 275; 8.3 | 1.04 (0.91 to 1.19) |
| Estradiol | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 238; 0.4 | 0.92 (0.80 to 1.07) | 537; 0.4 | 0.95 (0.86 to 1.05) | 308; 0.4 | 1.03 (0.90 to 1.17) |
| 1-4 years | 149; 2.3 | 0.94 (0.78 to 1.12) | 607; 2.6 | 0.93 (0.85 to 1.03) | 326; 2.7 | 1.09 (0.96 to 1.24) |
| 5+ years | 29; 6.7 | 0.90 (0.60 to 1.34) | 334; 7.6 | 1.00 (0.88 to 1.13) | 229; 8.2 | 0.99 (0.85 to 1.15) |
| OESTROGEN COMBINED with | | | | | | |
| any progestogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 850; 0.4 | 1.00 (0.92 to 1.08) | 1880; 0.5 | 0.96 (0.91 to 1.01) | 771; 0.5 | 1.02 (0.94 to 1.11) |
| 1-4 years | 606; 2.3 | 0.96 (0.87 to 1.05) | 2805; 2.7 | 1.06 (1.01 to 1.11) | 1189; 2.8 | 1.15 (1.07 to 1.23) ^b |
| 5+ years | 107; 7.0 | 0.93 (0.75 to 1.14) | 1619; 7.5 | 1.15 (1.08 to 1.22) ^b | 1117; 8.3 | 1.26 (1.17 to 1.35) ^b |
| Medroxyprogesterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 354; 0.4 | 0.90 (0.80 to 1.02) | 1126; 0.4 | 1.01 (0.94 to 1.08) | 444; 0.4 | 0.98 (0.87 to 1.09) |
| 1-4 years | 104; 2.2 | 0.83 (0.67 to 1.03) | 850; 2.5 | 1.07 (0.99 to 1.16) | 470; 2.7 | 1.15 (1.03 to 1.29) |
| 5+ years | n/d | n/d | 145; 6.2 | 1.07 (0.89 to 1.29) | 121; 6.7 | 1.10 (0.90 to 1.35) |
| Levonorgestrel | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 985; 0.4 | 1.04 (0.96 to 1.12) | 1995; 0.4 | 0.97 (0.91 to 1.02) | 736; 0.4 | 1.01 (0.93 to 1.11) |

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|-----------------------|----------|---------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|----------|----------------------------------|
| 1-4 years | 569; 2.2 | 1.03 (0.94 to 1.14) | 2217; 2.6 | 1.07 (1.01 to 1.13) | 919; 2.6 | 1.10 (1.02 to 1.20) |
| 5+ years | 89; 6.7 | 1.29 (1.01 to 1.64) | 811; 7.0 | 1.18 (1.09 to 1.29) ^b | 511; 7.6 | 1.32 (1.18 to 1.47) ^b |
| Norethisterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 867; 0.4 | 0.99 (0.91 to 1.07) | 2105; 0.4 | 1.01 (0.96 to 1.06) | 792; 0.4 | 1.07 (0.98 to 1.16) |
| 1-4 years | 394; 2.2 | 1.00 (0.89 to 1.12) | 1760; 2.5 | 1.05 (1.00 to 1.12) | 713; 2.5 | 1.11 (1.01 to 1.21) |
| 5+ years | 34; 6.3 | 0.89 (0.61 to 1.29) | 473; 6.8 | 1.16 (1.04 to 1.29) ^a | 327; 7.5 | 1.19 (1.04 to 1.35) ^a |
| Dydrogesterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 281; 0.4 | 0.87 (0.76 to 1.00) | 574; 0.4 | 1.04 (0.94 to 1.15) | 98; 0.4 | 0.74 (0.59 to 0.92) ^a |
| 1-4 years | 117; 2.2 | 0.92 (0.75 to 1.13) | 306; 2.3 | 0.91 (0.80 to 1.03) | 89; 2.9 | 1.06 (0.83 to 1.36) |
| 5+ years | n/d | n/d | 48; 6.7 | 1.04 (0.75 to 1.43) | n/d | n/d |
| TIBOLONE | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 219; 0.3 | 0.95 (0.82 to 1.10) | 831; 0.4 | 0.98 (0.90 to 1.06) | 477; 0.4 | 0.96 (0.87 to 1.07) |
| 1-4 years | 49; 2.3 | 1.04 (0.76 to 1.43) | 393; 2.3 | 0.98 (0.88 to 1.10) | 275; 2.6 | 0.99 (0.86 to 1.13) |
| 5+ years | n/d | n/d | 70; 7.0 | 1.03 (0.80 to 1.34) | 99; 7.4 | 1.00 (0.80 to 1.25) |

^aOdds ratios are with reference to never-users and based on cases and controls matched by age and practice and adjusted for smoking status, body mass index, family history of cancer, medical conditions and events, other medications and contraceptive drugs.

^a P-value<0.01; ^b P-value<0.001

eFigure 5 Recent (between >1 and <5 years) exposure to different types of HRT in women of different body mass index



Odds ratios are with reference to never-users and adjusted for smoking, alcohol consumption, Townsend quintile (QResearch only), body mass index, ethnicity, history of other cancers, oophorectomy/hysterectomy, records of menopause, scans, comorbidities, other medications, years of data. Cases are matched to controls by age, general practice and index date.

eTable 11 Duration of use for different hormones of HRT and tibolone in women with recent (between >1 and <5 years before the index date) different exposures by body-mass categories at 1years before the index date

| | BMI <25kg/m ² | | BMI 25-30kg/m ² | | BMI >30kg/m ² | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|----------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|
| | N of cases; controls | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | N of cases; controls | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | N of cases; controls | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) |
| Total number of women | 25779 | | 23110 | | 17254 | |
| OESTROGEN ONLY | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 156; 0.5 | 1.01 (0.82 to 1.24) | 113; 0.5 | 0.81 (0.63 to 1.03) | 109; 0.4 | 1.21 (0.92 to 1.58) |
| 1-4 years | 506; 2.9 | 1.09 (0.96 to 1.23) | 441; 3.0 | 0.97 (0.85 to 1.11) | 266; 3.0 | 1.02 (0.86 to 1.22) |
| 5+ years | 713; 9.1 | 1.24 (1.11 to 1.38) ^b | 645; 9.3 | 1.10 (0.99 to 1.24) | 357; 9.3 | 0.98 (0.85 to 1.14) |
| Conjugated equine oestrogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 71; 0.5 | 0.89 (0.65 to 1.20) | 50; 0.5 | 0.87 (0.61 to 1.24) | 48; 0.4 | 1.22 (0.81 to 1.84) |
| 1-4 years | 204; 3.1 | 0.94 (0.78 to 1.13) | 189; 3.0 | 0.96 (0.79 to 1.16) | 103; 3.0 | 0.87 (0.67 to 1.13) |
| 5+ years | 309; 9.0 | 1.16 (1.00 to 1.35) | 285; 8.7 | 1.13 (0.96 to 1.33) | 137; 9.0 | 0.88 (0.70 to 1.10) |
| Estradiol | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 158; 0.5 | 1.01 (0.82 to 1.24) | 114; 0.4 | 0.78 (0.62 to 1.00) | 107; 0.4 | 1.19 (0.91 to 1.57) |
| 1-4 years | 345; 2.7 | 1.08 (0.94 to 1.25) | 318; 2.9 | 0.99 (0.85 to 1.16) | 184; 2.9 | 1.01 (0.82 to 1.24) |
| 5+ years | 374; 8.8 | 1.31 (1.14 to 1.51) ^b | 317; 9.4 | 1.06 (0.91 to 1.24) | 205; 9.2 | 1.05 (0.87 to 1.27) |
| OESTROGEN COMBINED with | | | | | | |
| any progestogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 605; 0.5 | 1.08 (0.97 to 1.20) | 412; 0.5 | 1.14 (1.00 to 1.31) | 239; 0.5 | 1.12 (0.93 to 1.34) |
| 1-4 years | 1987; 3.0 | 1.49 (1.39 to 1.59) ^b | 1228; 3.0 | 1.36 (1.25 to 1.48) ^b | 589; 2.9 | 1.13 (1.00 to 1.27) |
| 5+ years | 2316; 9.0 | 1.93 (1.80 to 2.06) ^b | 1566; 8.8 | 1.71 (1.58 to 1.85) ^b | 691; 8.9 | 1.38 (1.23 to 1.55) ^b |
| Medroxyprogesterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 399; 0.4 | 1.11 (0.96 to 1.27) | 271; 0.5 | 1.33 (1.12 to 1.59) ^a | 131; 0.5 | 1.19 (0.93 to 1.53) |
| 1-4 years | 582; 2.7 | 1.41 (1.25 to 1.59) ^b | 454; 2.7 | 1.50 (1.30 to 1.72) ^b | 182; 2.8 | 1.18 (0.95 to 1.46) |
| 5+ years | 264; 7.8 | 2.05 (1.70 to 2.48) ^b | 198; 7.6 | 1.99 (1.60 to 2.47) ^b | 83; 7.8 | 1.32 (0.96 to 1.81) |

| Levonorgestrel | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|----------|----------------------------------|----------|----------------------------------|
| <1 year | 388; 0.5 | 1.21 (1.05 to 1.39) ^a | 217; 0.5 | 1.19 (0.98 to 1.44) | 115; 0.5 | 1.11 (0.86 to 1.45) |
| 1-4 years | 742; 2.9 | 1.38 (1.24 to 1.54) ^b | 437; 2.8 | 1.32 (1.15 to 1.52) ^b | 174; 3.0 | 0.95 (0.77 to 1.18) |
| 5+ years | 561; 8.3 | 1.87 (1.65 to 2.11) ^b | 344; 8.1 | 1.66 (1.41 to 1.94) ^b | 138; 7.8 | 1.46 (1.14 to 1.88) ^a |
| Norethisterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 634; 0.5 | 0.95 (0.85 to 1.06) | 446; 0.5 | 1.05 (0.92 to 1.20) | 236; 0.4 | 1.10 (0.91 to 1.32) |
| 1-4 years | 1235; 2.7 | 1.49 (1.37 to 1.62) ^b | 727; 2.8 | 1.22 (1.10 to 1.36) ^b | 352; 2.8 | 1.06 (0.91 to 1.23) |
| 5+ years | 766; 8.1 | 1.92 (1.72 to 2.14) ^b | 522; 8.0 | 1.92 (1.68 to 2.20) ^b | 232; 8.3 | 1.52 (1.25 to 1.84) ^b |
| Dydrogesterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 188; 0.4 | 0.95 (0.78 to 1.15) | 115; 0.5 | 1.14 (0.87 to 1.48) | 60; 0.5 | 1.30 (0.88 to 1.92) |
| 1-4 years | 174; 2.6 | 0.97 (0.79 to 1.18) | 97; 2.5 | 1.05 (0.80 to 1.38) | 38; 2.5 | 0.84 (0.54 to 1.29) |
| 5+ years | 66; 7.7 | 1.26 (0.91 to 1.75) | 28; 7.0 | 0.99 (0.61 to 1.60) | 18; 7.9 | 1.07 (0.58 to 1.97) |
| TIBOLONE | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 210; 0.4 | 0.94 (0.79 to 1.13) | 134; 0.4 | 0.84 (0.67 to 1.05) | 76; 0.4 | 0.74 (0.55 to 1.00) |
| 1-4 years | 241; 2.7 | 1.10 (0.93 to 1.31) | 186; 2.7 | 1.12 (0.92 to 1.37) | 102; 2.7 | 1.12 (0.85 to 1.47) |
| 5+ years | 146; 7.8 | 1.45 (1.15 to 1.82) ^a | 131; 8.1 | 1.45 (1.14 to 1.84) ^a | 53; 8.0 | 1.02 (0.71 to 1.46) |

^aOdds ratios are with reference to never-users and based on cases and controls matched by age and practice and adjusted for smoking status, body mass index, family history of cancer, medical conditions and events, other medications and contraceptive drugs.

^a P-value<0.01, ^b P-value<0.001

eTable 12 Duration of use for different hormones of HRT and tibolone in women with **past** (5 years or more before the index date) different exposures by body-mass categories at 1 year before the index date

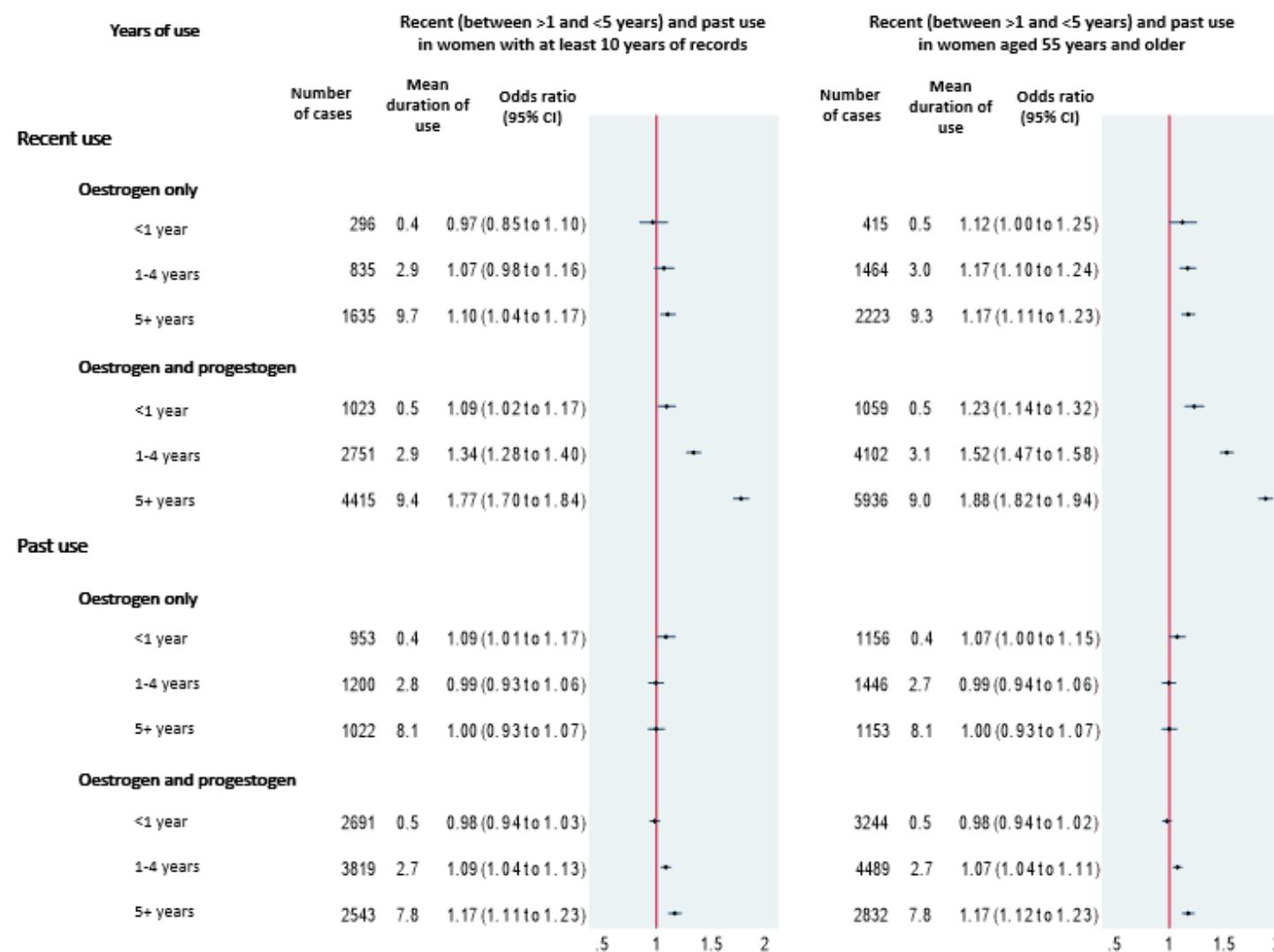
| | BMI <25kg/m ² | | BMI 25-30kg/m ² | | BMI >30kg/m ² | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|----------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|
| | N of cases; controls | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | N of cases; controls | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | N of cases; controls | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) |
| Total number of women | 25779 | | 23110 | | 17254 | |
| OESTROGEN ONLY | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 248; 0.5 | 1.03 (0.87 to 1.21) | 314; 0.4 | 1.00 (0.86 to 1.16) | 300; 0.4 | 1.04 (0.89 to 1.22) |
| 1-4 years | 307; 2.8 | 1.05 (0.90 to 1.22) | 398; 2.8 | 0.96 (0.84 to 1.10) | 398; 2.6 | 1.02 (0.89 to 1.18) |
| 5+ years | 260; 8.2 | 0.98 (0.83 to 1.15) | 332; 8.1 | 1.08 (0.93 to 1.25) | 299; 8.0 | 0.99 (0.84 to 1.16) |
| Conjugated equine oestrogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 194; 0.4 | 0.83 (0.69 to 1.00) | 261; 0.4 | 0.92 (0.78 to 1.08) | 239; 0.4 | 0.92 (0.78 to 1.10) |
| 1-4 years | 201; 2.6 | 1.07 (0.88 to 1.28) | 249; 2.6 | 0.98 (0.83 to 1.16) | 228; 2.5 | 1.15 (0.96 to 1.38) |
| 5+ years | 130; 8.1 | 1.02 (0.81 to 1.27) | 167; 7.9 | 1.09 (0.89 to 1.34) | 137; 7.9 | 0.99 (0.79 to 1.24) |
| Estradiol | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 226; 0.4 | 0.90 (0.76 to 1.07) | 263; 0.4 | 0.89 (0.76 to 1.05) | 287; 0.4 | 1.03 (0.88 to 1.21) |
| 1-4 years | 221; 2.5 | 1.00 (0.84 to 1.19) | 291; 2.7 | 0.95 (0.81 to 1.11) | 293; 2.6 | 1.01 (0.86 to 1.19) |
| 5+ years | 131; 8.0 | 0.92 (0.74 to 1.15) | 176; 7.7 | 1.12 (0.92 to 1.36) | 139; 7.7 | 0.86 (0.69 to 1.07) |
| OESTROGEN COMBINED with | | | | | | |
| any progestogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 870; 0.5 | 0.96 (0.88 to 1.04) | 931; 0.5 | 0.93 (0.85 to 1.02) | 764; 0.4 | 1.00 (0.90 to 1.10) |
| 1-4 years | 1137; 2.7 | 1.04 (0.95 to 1.12) | 1247; 2.7 | 1.01 (0.93 to 1.09) | 999; 2.6 | 1.08 (0.99 to 1.19) |
| 5+ years | 781; 7.9 | 1.14 (1.03 to 1.26) | 796; 7.8 | 1.17 (1.06 to 1.30) ^a | 557; 7.7 | 1.19 (1.05 to 1.34) ^a |
| Medroxyprogesterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 540; 0.4 | 0.99 (0.88 to 1.12) | 510; 0.4 | 0.94 (0.84 to 1.06) | 400; 0.4 | 1.08 (0.94 to 1.25) |
| 1-4 years | 387; 2.6 | 1.11 (0.97 to 1.27) | 367; 2.5 | 1.01 (0.88 to 1.17) | 273; 2.5 | 0.99 (0.84 to 1.17) |
| 5+ years | 85; 6.3 | 1.17 (0.87 to 1.56) | 79; 6.5 | 1.22 (0.90 to 1.65) | 37; 6.5 | 0.65 (0.43 to 0.97) |
| Levonorgestrel | | | | | | |

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|-----------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-----------|---------------------|----------|---------------------|
| <1 year | 988; 0.5 | 0.96 (0.88 to 1.05) | 948; 0.4 | 0.93 (0.85 to 1.02) | 731; 0.4 | 1.13 (1.01 to 1.25) |
| 1-4 years | 1025; 2.6 | 1.07 (0.97 to 1.17) | 1022; 2.5 | 1.10 (1.00 to 1.21) | 669; 2.5 | 1.11 (0.99 to 1.24) |
| 5+ years | 478; 7.4 | 1.31 (1.15 to 1.50) ^b | 372; 7.1 | 1.19 (1.03 to 1.37) | 231; 7.1 | 1.26 (1.05 to 1.52) |
| Norethisterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1019; 0.4 | 0.96 (0.88 to 1.04) | 1044; 0.4 | 1.02 (0.93 to 1.11) | 752; 0.4 | 1.04 (0.93 to 1.15) |
| 1-4 years | 747; 2.5 | 0.97 (0.88 to 1.07) | 815; 2.5 | 1.08 (0.97 to 1.19) | 588; 2.5 | 1.08 (0.96 to 1.22) |
| 5+ years | 225; 7.1 | 1.03 (0.87 to 1.23) | 232; 7.0 | 1.12 (0.94 to 1.34) | 158; 7.0 | 1.32 (1.05 to 1.65) |
| Dydrogesterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 271; 0.4 | 0.97 (0.83 to 1.14) | 235; 0.4 | 0.88 (0.74 to 1.05) | 187; 0.4 | 0.97 (0.79 to 1.18) |
| 1-4 years | 148; 2.2 | 0.98 (0.79 to 1.22) | 136; 2.2 | 0.98 (0.77 to 1.24) | 86; 2.3 | 0.80 (0.61 to 1.07) |
| 5+ years | 21; 6.9 | 0.97 (0.55 to 1.74) | 18; 6.5 | 1.13 (0.61 to 2.08) | 14; 6.8 | 1.30 (0.61 to 2.76) |
| TIBOLONE | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 366; 0.4 | 0.93 (0.81 to 1.06) | 434; 0.4 | 0.98 (0.86 to 1.11) | 342; 0.4 | 1.16 (1.00 to 1.36) |
| 1-4 years | 151; 2.4 | 0.82 (0.67 to 1.01) | 205; 2.4 | 0.92 (0.77 to 1.10) | 168; 2.4 | 1.14 (0.92 to 1.41) |
| 5+ years | 50; 7.3 | 1.32 (0.91 to 1.93) | 46; 7.4 | 0.91 (0.63 to 1.31) | 31; 6.6 | 0.88 (0.56 to 1.39) |

^aOdds ratios are with reference to never-users and based on cases and controls matched by age and practice and adjusted for smoking status, body mass index, family history of cancer, medical conditions and events, other medications and contraceptive drugs.

^a P-value<0.01, ^b P-value<0.001

eFigure 6 Sensitivity analyses: women with 10 years of records and women 55 years and older



Odds ratios are with reference to never-users and adjusted for smoking, alcohol consumption, Townsend quintile (QResearch only), body mass index, ethnicity, history of other cancers, oophorectomy/hysterectomy, records of menopause, scans, comorbidities, other medications, years of data. Cases are matched to controls by age, general practice and index date.

eTable 13 All cases and controls with 10 years of records: Duration of use for different hormones of HRT and tibolone in women with **recent** (between >1 and <5 years before the index date) and **past** (5 years or more before the index date) exposures, combined analysis

| | Recent exposure (between >1 and <5 years) | | | Past exposures (5 years or more) | | |
|--|--|---|---|----------------------------------|---|---|
| Total number of women: 62709 cases and 259147 controls | N of cases; controls | Mean duration: cases; controls | Combined odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | N of cases; controls | Mean duration: cases; controls | Combined odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) |
| OESTROGEN ONLY | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 296; 1288 | 0.4; 0.5 | 0.96 (0.85 to 1.10) | 953; 4020 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.09 (1.01 to 1.17) |
| 1-2 years | 438; 1828 | 1.9; 2.0 | 1.08 (0.97 to 1.21) | 696; 3262 | 1.9; 1.9 | 0.99 (0.90 to 1.08) |
| 3-4 years | 397; 1711 | 4.0; 4.0 | 1.05 (0.94 to 1.18) | 504; 2240 | 4.0; 4.0 | 1.02 (0.92 to 1.13) |
| 5-9 years | 986; 4269 | 7.5; 7.5 | 1.08 (1.00 to 1.16) | 814; 3787 | 7.2; 7.2 | 1.00 (0.92 to 1.09) |
| 10+ years | 649; 2661 | 13.1; 13.2 | 1.15 (1.05 to 1.26) ^a | 208; 945 | 11.9; 11.8 | 1.02 (0.88 to 1.20) |
| Conjugated equine oestrogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 119; 559 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.84 (0.68 to 1.03) | 805; 3646 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.00 (0.92 to 1.09) |
| 1-2 years | 164; 662 | 1.9; 2.0 | 1.04 (0.87 to 1.25) | 454; 2030 | 1.8; 1.8 | 1.00 (0.90 to 1.11) |
| 3-4 years | 156; 672 | 4.0; 4.0 | 1.03 (0.86 to 1.23) | 267; 1212 | 3.9; 4.0 | 0.98 (0.85 to 1.12) |
| 5-9 years | 436; 1824 | 7.4; 7.5 | 1.10 (0.98 to 1.23) | 494; 2355 | 8.0; 8.1 | 0.97 (0.87 to 1.07) |
| 10+ years | 240; 1086 | 13.0; 13.0 | 1.03 (0.89 to 1.19) | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| Estradiol | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 310; 1332 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.99 (0.87 to 1.13) | 848; 3867 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.99 (0.92 to 1.07) |
| 1-2 years | 369; 1528 | 1.9; 1.9 | 1.08 (0.96 to 1.22) | 550; 2588 | 1.9; 1.9 | 0.96 (0.87 to 1.06) |
| 3-4 years | 274; 1254 | 4.0; 4.0 | 0.99 (0.87 to 1.13) | 333; 1475 | 4.0; 3.9 | 1.00 (0.89 to 1.14) |
| 5-9 years | 542; 2338 | 7.4; 7.3 | 1.06 (0.96 to 1.17) | 523; 2323 | 7.8; 7.8 | 1.01 (0.92 to 1.12) |
| 10+ years | 334; 1245 | 13.0; 13.2 | 1.21 (1.07 to 1.37) ^a | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| OESTROGEN COMBINED with | | | | | | |
| any progestogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1023; 4064 | 0.5; 0.5 | 1.09 (1.01 to 1.17) | 2691; 12409 | 0.5; 0.5 | 0.98 (0.94 to 1.03) |
| 1-2 years | 1444; 5003 | 2.0; 1.9 | 1.27 (1.19 to 1.35) ^b | 2302; 9617 | 1.9; 1.9 | 1.08 (1.03 to 1.14) ^a |

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|----------------------------|------------|------------|----------------------------------|-------------|------------|----------------------------------|
| 3-4 years | 1307; 4164 | 4.0; 4.0 | 1.42 (1.33 to 1.51) ^b | 1517; 6203 | 4.0; 3.9 | 1.10 (1.04 to 1.17) ^a |
| 5-9 years | 2863; 8004 | 7.4; 7.3 | 1.65 (1.57 to 1.73) ^b | 2111; 8212 | 7.0; 7.0 | 1.15 (1.09 to 1.21) ^b |
| 10+ years | 1552; 3394 | 13.0; 12.9 | 2.07 (1.94 to 2.20) ^b | 432; 1512 | 11.6; 11.8 | 1.31 (1.17 to 1.46) ^b |
| Medroxyprogesterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 624; 1924 | 0.5; 0.4 | 1.18 (1.07 to 1.29) ^b | 1559; 6245 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.99 (0.94 to 1.06) |
| 1-2 years | 570; 1620 | 1.9; 1.9 | 1.33 (1.20 to 1.47) ^b | 835; 3022 | 1.9; 1.9 | 1.10 (1.01 to 1.19) |
| 3-4 years | 406; 1065 | 3.9; 4.0 | 1.54 (1.37 to 1.73) ^b | 404; 1439 | 3.9; 3.9 | 1.16 (1.04 to 1.31) ^a |
| 5-9 years | 447; 1101 | 7.0; 6.7 | 1.73 (1.54 to 1.94) ^b | 244; 960 | 6.4; 6.4 | 1.07 (0.92 to 1.23) |
| 10+ years | 107; 174 | 12.0; 12.2 | 2.60 (2.02 to 3.36) ^b | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| Levonorgestrel | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 541; 1767 | 0.4; 0.5 | 1.15 (1.04 to 1.28) ^a | 2840; 11725 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.99 (0.94 to 1.03) |
| 1-2 years | 532; 1554 | 2.0; 1.9 | 1.31 (1.18 to 1.45) ^b | 1897; 7237 | 1.9; 1.9 | 1.04 (0.98 to 1.10) |
| 3-4 years | 413; 1203 | 4.0; 4.0 | 1.40 (1.25 to 1.57) ^b | 1044; 3702 | 3.9; 3.9 | 1.11 (1.03 to 1.19) ^a |
| 5-9 years | 731; 1826 | 7.2; 7.2 | 1.71 (1.56 to 1.87) ^b | 1235; 4006 | 7.3; 7.2 | 1.23 (1.15 to 1.31) ^b |
| 10+ years | 245; 500 | 12.4; 12.5 | 2.20 (1.88 to 2.57) ^b | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| Norethisterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1068; 4133 | 0.5; 0.4 | 0.97 (0.90 to 1.04) | 2998; 12348 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.01 (0.97 to 1.06) |
| 1-2 years | 1047; 3404 | 1.9; 1.9 | 1.22 (1.13 to 1.31) ^b | 1591; 6303 | 1.8; 1.8 | 1.05 (0.99 to 1.12) |
| 3-4 years | 742; 2218 | 4.0; 3.9 | 1.43 (1.31 to 1.56) ^b | 799; 3025 | 3.9; 3.9 | 1.12 (1.03 to 1.21) ^a |
| 5-9 years | 1136; 2752 | 7.2; 7.0 | 1.81 (1.68 to 1.95) ^b | 757; 2753 | 7.0; 7.0 | 1.18 (1.09 to 1.29) ^b |
| 10+ years | 351; 685 | 12.6; 12.3 | 2.21 (1.93 to 2.52) ^b | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| Dydrogesterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 287; 934 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.10 (0.96 to 1.26) | 761; 3023 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.93 (0.85 to 1.01) |
| 1-2 years | 172; 688 | 1.9; 1.8 | 0.95 (0.80 to 1.12) | 318; 1250 | 1.8; 1.8 | 0.94 (0.83 to 1.07) |
| 3-4 years | 83; 302 | 4.0; 3.9 | 1.11 (0.86 to 1.42) | 91; 444 | 3.7; 3.8 | 0.78 (0.62 to 0.98) |
| 5-9 years | 95; 338 | 6.9; 6.8 | 1.15 (0.91 to 1.45) | 63; 227 | 6.7; 6.9 | 1.12 (0.84 to 1.51) |
| 10+ years | 25; 63 | 11.4; 11.7 | 1.54 (0.96 to 2.47) | n/d | n/d | n/d |
| TIBOLONE | | | | | | |

| | | | | | | |
|-----------|-----------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|----------|---------------------|
| <1 year | 367; 1407 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.92 (0.82 to 1.04) | 1206; 4997 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.98 (0.91 to 1.04) |
| 1-2 years | 255; 858 | 1.9; 1.9 | 1.13 (0.98 to 1.30) | 407; 1680 | 1.8; 1.8 | 0.99 (0.88 to 1.10) |
| 3-4 years | 166; 582 | 4.0; 3.9 | 1.19 (1.00 to 1.42) | 168; 695 | 3.9; 3.9 | 1.00 (0.84 to 1.19) |
| 5-9 years | 250; 837 | 7.2; 7.1 | 1.28 (1.10 to 1.47) ^b | 149; 650 | 7.2; 7.4 | 1.02 (0.85 to 1.22) |
| 10+ years | 76; 233 | 12.1; 12.7 | 1.44 (1.11 to 1.88) ^a | n/d | n/d | n/d |

^aOdds ratios are with reference to never-users and based on cases and controls matched by age and practice and adjusted for smoking

status, body mass index, family history of cancer, medical conditions and events, other medications and contraceptive drugs; ^a P-value<0.01;

^b P-value<0.001; n/d – not enough data, few observations added to previous category

eTable 14 All cases and controls aged 55 and older: Duration of use for different hormones of HRT and tibolone in women with **recent** (between >1 and <5 years before the index date) and **past** (5 years or more before the index date) exposures, combined analysis

| | Recent exposure (between >1 and <5 years) | | | Past exposures (5 years or more) | | |
|--|--|--------------------|---|----------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| | Mean duration: | | | Mean duration: | | |
| Total number of women: 79951 cases and 371889 controls | N of cases; controls | cases; controls | Combined odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | N of cases; controls | cases; controls | Combined odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) |
| OESTROGEN ONLY | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 415; 1885 | 0.5; 0.5 | 1.12 (1.00 to 1.25) | 1156; 5458 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.07 (1.00 to 1.15) |
| 1-4 years | 1464; 6580 | 3.0; 3.0 | 1.17 (1.10 to 1.24) ^b | 1446; 7392 | 2.7; 2.7 | 0.99 (0.94 to 1.06) |
| 5+ years | 2223; 10208 | 9.3; 9.2 | 1.17 (1.11 to 1.23) ^b | 1153; 5924 | 8.1; 8.1 | 1.00 (0.93 to 1.07) |
| Conjugated equine oestrogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 187; 882 | 0.5; 0.5 | 1.03 (0.87 to 1.21) | 946; 4796 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.99 (0.92 to 1.06) |
| 1-4 years | 630; 2872 | 3.1; 3.0 | 1.11 (1.02 to 1.22) | 881; 4337 | 2.6; 2.6 | 1.00 (0.93 to 1.08) |
| 5+ years | 946; 4443 | 8.9; 9.1 | 1.12 (1.04 to 1.21) ^a | 559; 2938 | 8.0; 8.0 | 0.96 (0.87 to 1.05) |
| Estradiol | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 406; 1864 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.07 (0.96 to 1.20) | 1003; 5088 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.97 (0.90 to 1.04) |
| 1-4 years | 994; 4562 | 2.9; 2.9 | 1.11 (1.03 to 1.19) ^a | 1046; 5316 | 2.6; 2.6 | 0.98 (0.92 to 1.05) |
| 5+ years | 1170; 5183 | 9.2; 9.0 | 1.18 (1.10 to 1.26) ^b | 587; 2923 | 7.8; 7.8 | 1.00 (0.91 to 1.10) |
| OESTROGEN COMBINED with | | | | | | |
| any progestogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1059; 4569 | 0.5; 0.5 | 1.23 (1.14 to 1.32) ^b | 3244; 16846 | 0.5; 0.5 | 0.98 (0.94 to 1.02) |
| 1-4 years | 4102; 14319 | 3.1; 3.0 | 1.52 (1.47 to 1.58) ^b | 4489; 20994 | 2.7; 2.7 | 1.07 (1.04 to 1.11) ^b |
| 5+ years | 5936; 16913 | 9.0; 8.6 | 1.88 (1.82 to 1.94) ^b | 2832; 12163 | 7.8; 7.7 | 1.17 (1.12 to 1.23) ^b |
| Medroxyprogesterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 879; 3097 | 0.5; 0.4 | 1.12 (1.04 to 1.22) ^a | 1833; 8267 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.98 (0.93 to 1.04) |
| 1-4 years | 1607; 4895 | 2.7; 2.7 | 1.45 (1.36 to 1.54) ^b | 1403; 5824 | 2.5; 2.5 | 1.08 (1.01 to 1.15) |
| 5+ years | 724; 1816 | 7.7; 7.3 | 1.91 (1.75 to 2.10) ^b | 273; 1192 | 6.4; 6.4 | 1.07 (0.94 to 1.23) |
| Levonorgestrel | | | | | | |

| | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|------------|----------|----------------------------------|-------------|----------|----------------------------------|
| <1 year | 543; 2000 | 0.5; 0.5 | 1.15 (1.04 to 1.27) ^a | 3427; 15869 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.98 (0.94 to 1.02) |
| 1-4 years | 1390; 4347 | 3.0; 2.9 | 1.47 (1.38 to 1.57) ^b | 3612; 14685 | 2.6; 2.5 | 1.08 (1.03 to 1.12) ^b |
| 5+ years | 1368; 3635 | 8.2; 8.0 | 1.86 (1.74 to 1.99) ^b | 1397; 4996 | 7.2; 7.2 | 1.24 (1.16 to 1.32) ^b |
| Norethisterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1320; 5027 | 0.5; 0.5 | 1.14 (1.07 to 1.22) ^b | 3533; 16186 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.02 (0.98 to 1.06) |
| 1-4 years | 2612; 8741 | 2.9; 2.8 | 1.42 (1.35 to 1.49) ^b | 2790; 12357 | 2.5; 2.5 | 1.06 (1.01 to 1.11) |
| 5+ years | 1979; 5039 | 8.1; 7.8 | 2.00 (1.89 to 2.11) ^b | 831; 3496 | 7.0; 7.0 | 1.15 (1.06 to 1.24) ^b |
| Dydrogesterone | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 303; 1022 | 0.4; 0.4 | 1.11 (0.97 to 1.27) | 883; 3803 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.96 (0.89 to 1.04) |
| 1-4 years | 307; 1316 | 2.7; 2.6 | 0.98 (0.86 to 1.12) | 467; 2149 | 2.2; 2.3 | 0.92 (0.83 to 1.02) |
| 5+ years | 137; 493 | 7.8; 7.6 | 1.28 (1.06 to 1.56) | 67; 288 | 6.7; 6.8 | 1.08 (0.82 to 1.42) |
| TIBOLONE | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 536; 2263 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.94 (0.86 to 1.04) | 1480; 6710 | 0.4; 0.4 | 0.99 (0.93 to 1.05) |
| 1-4 years | 718; 2777 | 2.7; 2.7 | 1.15 (1.05 to 1.25) ^a | 706; 3230 | 2.4; 2.4 | 0.99 (0.91 to 1.07) |
| 5+ years | 448; 1630 | 8.1; 8.0 | 1.34 (1.21 to 1.49) ^b | 172; 821 | 7.2; 7.3 | 1.02 (0.86 to 1.20) |

^aOdds ratios are with reference to never-users and based on cases and controls matched by age and practice and adjusted for smoking

status, body mass index, family history of cancer, medical conditions and events, other medications and contraceptive drugs; ^b P-value<0.01;

^b P-value<0.001; n/d – not enough data, few observations added to previous category

eTable 15 All cases and controls: Years of use since the first prescription, for different hormones of HRT, by database

| | QResearch | | CPRD | | Combined analysis | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|-------------------------|--|---|---------|
| | N of cases; controls | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | N of cases; controls | Adjusted odds ratio# (95% confidence interval) | Combined odds ratio (95% confidence interval) | P-value |
| HRT | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 3274; 15577 | 1.03 (0.99 to 1.07) | 2469; 12221 | 1.07 (1.02 to 1.12) ^a | 1.05 (1.02 to 1.08) | 0.003 |
| 1-2 years | 3437; 15200 | 1.11 (1.06 to 1.15) ^b | 2390; 10411 | 1.21 (1.15 to 1.27) ^b | 1.15 (1.11 to 1.18) | <0.001 |
| 3-4 years | 3400; 14103 | 1.20 (1.15 to 1.25) ^b | 2064; 9150 | 1.21 (1.15 to 1.27) ^b | 1.20 (1.16 to 1.24) | <0.001 |
| 5-9 years | 6866; 26746 | 1.30 (1.26 to 1.35) ^b | 4030; 17502 | 1.28 (1.23 to 1.33) ^b | 1.29 (1.26 to 1.33) | <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 3517; 11950 | 1.53 (1.47 to 1.60) ^b | 2256; 9531 | 1.37 (1.30 to 1.44) ^b | 1.47 (1.42 to 1.52) | <0.001 |
| OESTROGEN ONLY | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 768; 3497 | 1.10 (1.01 to 1.19) | 668; 3194 | 1.09 (0.99 to 1.19) | 1.09 (1.03 to 1.16) | 0.004 |
| 1-2 years | 741; 3705 | 1.01 (0.93 to 1.09) | 600; 2825 | 1.08 (0.99 to 1.19) | 1.04 (0.98 to 1.11) | 0.2 |
| 3-4 years | 826; 3848 | 1.09 (1.01 to 1.18) | 553; 2726 | 1.06 (0.96 to 1.17) | 1.08 (1.02 to 1.15) | 0.01 |
| 5-9 years | 1772; 8499 | 1.08 (1.02 to 1.14) | 1181; 5947 | 1.08 (1.01 to 1.16) | 1.08 (1.03 to 1.13) | <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 1019; 4753 | 1.13 (1.05 to 1.21) ^a | 732; 3805 | 1.11 (1.01 to 1.21) | 1.12 (1.06 to 1.18) | <0.001 |
| Conjugated equine oestrogen | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 597; 3045 | 0.95 (0.87 to 1.05) | 491; 2606 | 0.97 (0.87 to 1.07) | 0.96 (0.90 to 1.03) | 0.2 |
| 1-2 years | 446; 2363 | 0.93 (0.83 to 1.03) | 347; 1713 | 1.02 (0.91 to 1.16) | 0.97 (0.89 to 1.05) | 0.4 |
| 3-4 years | 436; 1935 | 1.11 (1.00 to 1.24) | 278; 1329 | 1.08 (0.95 to 1.24) | 1.10 (1.01 to 1.20) | 0.03 |
| 5-9 years | 798; 3965 | 1.01 (0.94 to 1.10) | 549; 2558 | 1.13 (1.02 to 1.25) | 1.06 (1.00 to 1.13) | 0.07 |
| 10+ years | 403; 1943 | 1.06 (0.95 to 1.18) | 263; 1416 | 1.04 (0.90 to 1.19) | 1.05 (0.96 to 1.14) | 0.3 |
| Estradiol | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 685; 3400 | 0.99 (0.91 to 1.08) | 628; 3146 | 1.01 (0.92 to 1.11) | 1.00 (0.94 to 1.06) | 0.9 |
| 1-2 years | 595; 2903 | 1.01 (0.92 to 1.10) | 493; 2270 | 1.09 (0.98 to 1.21) | 1.04 (0.97 to 1.12) | 0.2 |
| 3-4 years | 535; 2551 | 1.05 (0.95 to 1.15) | 367; 1963 | 0.95 (0.85 to 1.07) | 1.01 (0.93 to 1.08) | 0.9 |
| 5-9 years | 1008; 4801 | 1.05 (0.98 to 1.13) | 711; 3591 | 1.05 (0.96 to 1.14) | 1.05 (0.99 to 1.11) | 0.09 |
| 10+ years | 550; 2321 | 1.21 (1.10 to 1.34) ^b | 377; 1981 | 1.06 (0.94 to 1.19) | 1.15 (1.07 to 1.24) | <0.001 |

| OESTROGEN COMBINED with | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| any progestogen | | | | | |
| <1 year | 2510; 12109 | 1.01 (0.96 to 1.06) | 1801; 9027 | 1.06 (1.00 to 1.12) | 1.03 (0.99 to 1.07) 0.1 |
| 1-2 years | 2696; 11501 | 1.13 (1.08 to 1.18) ^b | 1790; 7586 | 1.25 (1.18 to 1.32) ^b | 1.18 (1.14 to 1.22) <0.001 |
| 3-4 years | 2574; 10258 | 1.23 (1.17 to 1.29) ^b | 1511; 6424 | 1.26 (1.18 to 1.33) ^b | 1.24 (1.19 to 1.28) <0.001 |
| 5-9 years | 5096; 18248 | 1.39 (1.34 to 1.44) ^b | 2849; 11555 | 1.36 (1.29 to 1.42) ^b | 1.38 (1.34 to 1.42) <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 2498; 7198 | 1.76 (1.68 to 1.85) ^b | 1524; 5726 | 1.50 (1.41 to 1.59) ^b | 1.65 (1.59 to 1.72) <0.001 |
| Medroxyprogesterone | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1748; 7152 | 1.02 (0.96 to 1.08) | 1051; 4586 | 1.05 (0.98 to 1.13) | 1.03 (0.99 to 1.08) 0.2 |
| 1-2 years | 1190; 4482 | 1.10 (1.03 to 1.18) ^a | 708; 2662 | 1.23 (1.13 to 1.35) ^b | 1.15 (1.09 to 1.21) <0.001 |
| 3-4 years | 810; 2700 | 1.28 (1.18 to 1.38) ^b | 435; 1626 | 1.25 (1.12 to 1.39) ^b | 1.27 (1.19 to 1.35) <0.001 |
| 5-9 years | 758; 2501 | 1.30 (1.20 to 1.42) ^b | 395; 1451 | 1.30 (1.16 to 1.46) ^b | 1.30 (1.22 to 1.39) <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 184; 318 | 2.39 (1.98 to 2.89) ^b | 57; 205 | 1.31 (0.97 to 1.77) | 2.02 (1.72 to 2.37) <0.001 |
| Levonorgestrel | | | | | |
| <1 year | 2443; 10414 | 1.03 (0.98 to 1.08) | 1607; 7599 | 1.02 (0.96 to 1.08) | 1.02 (0.99 to 1.06) 0.2 |
| 1-2 years | 2072; 7827 | 1.15 (1.09 to 1.21) ^b | 1104; 4881 | 1.07 (1.00 to 1.15) | 1.12 (1.08 to 1.17) <0.001 |
| 3-4 years | 1472; 5507 | 1.16 (1.10 to 1.24) ^b | 849; 3248 | 1.26 (1.16 to 1.36) ^b | 1.20 (1.14 to 1.26) <0.001 |
| 5-9 years | 2003; 6307 | 1.41 (1.34 to 1.49) ^b | 1102; 4294 | 1.26 (1.17 to 1.35) ^b | 1.35 (1.29 to 1.41) <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 484; 1349 | 1.60 (1.43 to 1.78) ^b | 304; 1027 | 1.49 (1.30 to 1.70) ^b | 1.55 (1.43 to 1.69) <0.001 |
| Norethisterone | | | | | |
| <1 year | 2805; 12073 | 1.02 (0.97 to 1.06) | 1993; 9319 | 1.04 (0.99 to 1.10) | 1.03 (0.99 to 1.06) 0.1 |
| 1-2 years | 2034; 8278 | 1.09 (1.04 to 1.15) ^b | 1330; 5369 | 1.21 (1.14 to 1.29) ^b | 1.14 (1.09 to 1.19) <0.001 |
| 3-4 years | 1490; 5518 | 1.21 (1.14 to 1.29) ^b | 922; 3686 | 1.25 (1.16 to 1.35) ^b | 1.23 (1.17 to 1.29) <0.001 |
| 5-9 years | 2153; 7378 | 1.33 (1.26 to 1.40) ^b | 1110; 4416 | 1.28 (1.20 to 1.38) ^b | 1.31 (1.26 to 1.37) <0.001 |
| 10+ years | 669; 1644 | 1.84 (1.68 to 2.02) ^b | 328; 1141 | 1.47 (1.29 to 1.67) ^b | 1.70 (1.58 to 1.83) <0.001 |
| Dydrogesterone | | | | | |
| <1 year | 850; 3401 | 0.97 (0.90 to 1.05) | 473; 2156 | 0.96 (0.86 to 1.06) | 0.97 (0.91 to 1.03) 0.3 |
| 1-2 years | 432; 1778 | 0.96 (0.86 to 1.07) | 215; 1110 | 0.86 (0.74 to 1.00) | 0.92 (0.85 to 1.01) 0.08 |
| 3-4 years | 209; 962 | 0.86 (0.74 to 1.00) | 102; 503 | 0.94 (0.76 to 1.17) | 0.88 (0.78 to 1.00) 0.05 |

| | | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------|----------------------------------|-----------|---------------------|---------------------|-------|
| 5-9 years | 196; 740 | 1.07 (0.91 to 1.26) | 77; 404 | 0.91 (0.71 to 1.17) | 1.02 (0.89 to 1.17) | 0.8 |
| 10+ years | 42; 121 | 1.26 (0.88 to 1.82) | 18; 71 | 1.15 (0.68 to 1.95) | 1.23 (0.91 to 1.65) | 0.2 |
| TIBOLONE | | | | | | |
| <1 year | 1166; 4910 | 0.98 (0.91 to 1.04) | 837; 4064 | 0.93 (0.86 to 1.01) | 0.96 (0.91 to 1.01) | 0.1 |
| 1-2 years | 558; 2356 | 0.98 (0.90 to 1.08) | 390; 1753 | 0.99 (0.88 to 1.10) | 0.99 (0.92 to 1.06) | 0.7 |
| 3-4 years | 288; 1368 | 0.90 (0.79 to 1.03) | 227; 904 | 1.16 (1.00 to 1.35) | 1.01 (0.91 to 1.11) | 0.9 |
| 5-9 years | 386; 1540 | 1.09 (0.97 to 1.22) | 270; 1153 | 1.12 (0.98 to 1.28) | 1.10 (1.01 to 1.20) | 0.03 |
| 10+ years | 117; 388 | 1.37 (1.11 to 1.70) ^a | 69; 291 | 1.16 (0.89 to 1.51) | 1.29 (1.09 to 1.52) | 0.003 |

^aOdds ratios are with reference to never-users and based on cases and controls matched by age and practice and adjusted for smoking status, body mass index, family history of cancer, medical conditions and events, other medications and contraceptive drugs.

^a P-value<0.01; ^b P-value<0.001

eTable 16 Comparison our results with the recent meta-analysis (*Lancet* 2019)

| Our study Duration for recent users (between >1 and <5 years) in women aged 55 and older | | | Meta-analysis (<i>Lancet</i> 2019) Duration for current users (within 5 years) | | | | |
|--|-----------------|----------------------------|--|---------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| | Number of cases | Mean use in years in cases | Odds Ratio (95% CI) | | Number of cases | Mean use in years in cases | Relative Risk (95% CI) |
| Oestrogen only | | | Oestrogen only | | | | |
| <1 year | 415 | 0.5 | 1.08 (0.90-1.29) | <1 year | 109 | <1.0 | 1.08 (0.86-1.35) |
| 1-4 years | 1464 | 3.0 | 1.27 (1.15-1.40) | 1-4 years | 1150 | 2.8 | 1.17 (1.10-1.26) |
| 5-9 years | 1469 | 7.3 | 1.16 (1.09-1.23) | 5-9 years | 2391 | 7.0 | 1.22 (1.17-1.28) |
| 10+ | 754 | 13.1 | 1.20 (1.11-1.31) | 10-14 years | 2478 | 11.7 | 1.43 (1.37-1.50) |
| | | | | 15+ | 2183 | 20.1 | 1.58 (1.51-1.66) |
| Oestrogen and progestogen | | | Oestrogen and progestogen | | | | |
| <1 year | 1059 | 0.5 | 1.13 (0.87-1.47) | <1 year | 189 | <1.0 | 1.20 (1.01-1.43) |
| 1-4 years | 4102 | 3.1 | 1.37 (1.14-1.64) | 1-4 years | 2230 | 2.8 | 1.60 (1.52-1.69) |
| 5-9 years | 4124 | 7.2 | 1.78 (1.72-1.86) | 5-9 years | 4968 | 7.0 | 1.97 (1.90-2.04) |
| 10+ | 1812 | 12.9 | 2.14 (2.02-2.27) | 10-14 years | 3350 | 11.7 | 2.26 (2.16-2.36) |
| | | | | 15+ | 1424 | 20.1 | 2.51 (2.35-2.68) |
| Main types of hormones 5+ years of recent use | | | Main types of hormones 5-14 years of current use | | | | |
| Equine oestrogen | 946 | 8.9 | 1.12 (1.04-1.21) | Equine oestrogen | 1910 | 9 | 1.32 (1.25-1.39) |
| Estradiol | 1170 | 9.2 | 1.18 (1.10-1.26) | Estradiol | 1563 | 9 | 1.38 (1.30-1.46) |
| Levonorgestrel | 1368 | 8.2 | 1.86 (1.74-1.99) | Levonorgestrel | 1735 | 9 | 2.12 (1.99-2.25) |
| Norethisterone | 1979 | 8.1 | 2.00 (1.89-2.11) | Norethisterone | 2642 | 9 | 2.20 (2.09-2.32) |
| Medroxyprogesterone | 724 | 7.7 | 1.91 (1.75-2.10) | Medroxyprogesterone | 2012 | 9 | 2.07 (1.96-2.19) |
| Dydrogesterone | 137 | 7.8 | 1.28 (1.06-1.56) | Dydrogesterone | 162 | 9 | 1.41 (1.17-1.71) |
| Tibolone | 448 | 8.1 | 1.34 (1.21-1.49) | Tibolone | 680 | 9 | 1.57 (1.43-1.72) |